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# ‘Little to celebrate’

**TAX CREDIT**  
**Province, film industry reach tentative agreement**



**Stephanie Taylor**  
Metro | Halifax

What started out as jubilation by members and supporters of the Nova Scotia film industry after learning that the province was offering a new incentive to replace the film tax credit quickly turned to disappointment.

Exactly two weeks after the Liberal government slashed the \$24 million film tax credit, Screen Nova Scotia and the province announced a new tentative agreement for the establishment of a replacement fund.

Named the Nova Scotia Film and Television Production Fund, the province says it will switch

from a percentage paid for labour costs to refund a base rate of 25 per cent of all production costs including labour, with additional bonuses for shooting outside Halifax, as well as for indigenous and series productions.

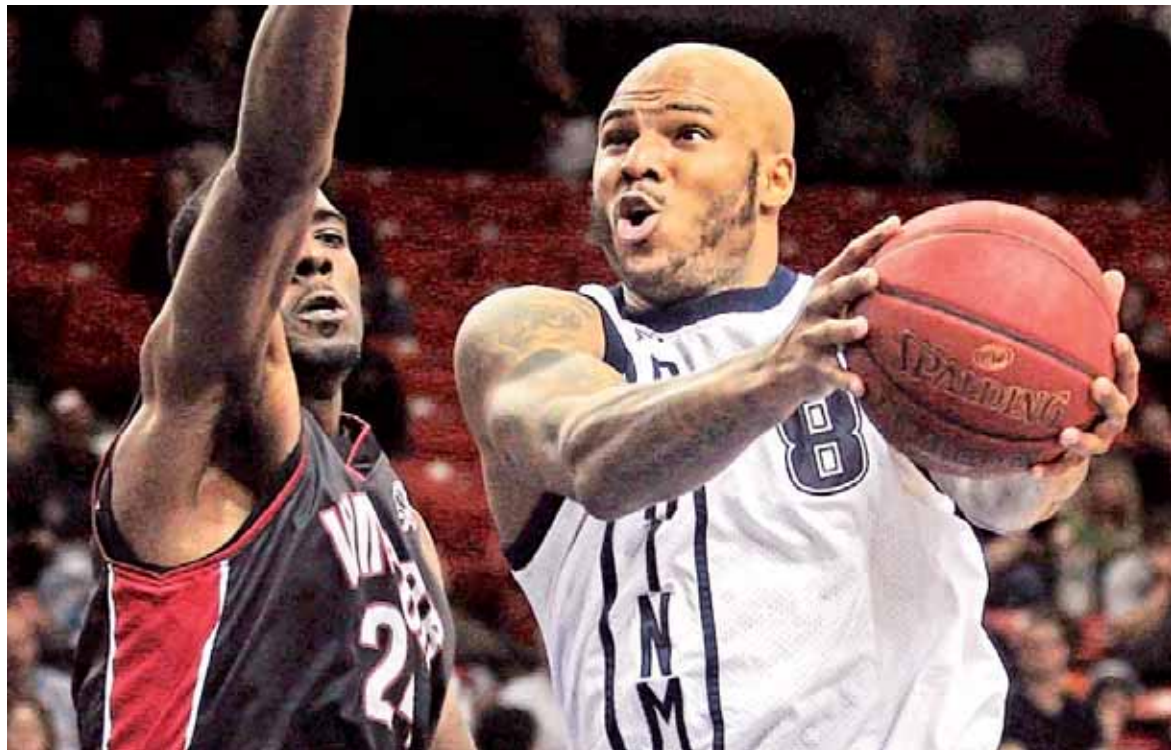
“The new proposal on the table is not perfect; and many details still need to be worked out,” a release from Screen Nova Scotia read on Thursday.

One of the main concerns to those in industry, such as long-time worker Keith Currie, was that a cap would be placed on the amount eligible for a refund, such as a \$5 million limit for individual productions.

“There is little to celebrate in this for the industry or for the province as a whole,” Currie said. “This was a deceitful exercise in political face saving.”

Screen Nova Scotia said the suggested caps are flexible and that more conversations are needed.

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# Rainmen drive past Express

Halifax Rainmen's Tyrone Watson, right, gets up and over Windsor Express's Chris Commons during NBL Canada finals Thursday night at the Scotiabank Centre. The Rainmen won game 3 by 100-70, taking a series lead 2-1. Coverage in Sports. JEFF HARPER/METRO



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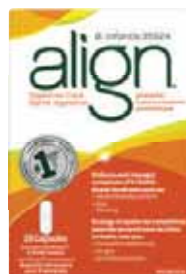
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# This winter might be the new 'White Juan,' city official says

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50 weather events over a 20-week period



**Stephanie Taylor**  
Metro | Halifax

For more than a decade, Haligonians have been referring to the 2004 blizzard known as "White Juan" as the region's worst storm, but there might be a new contender after this season's winter, according to the city's superintendant of winter works.

"I think now we'll be benchmarking this past winter as sort of the 'worst-case scenario,'" Darrin Natolino told mayors from across Nova Scotia and officials from the East Coast, who were gathered in Halifax for the Atlantic Mayors' Congress.

On Thursday, Natolino presented a session on the municipality's handling of its extreme winter weather, including what challenges HRM faced, along with what can be improved for next season.

"This year we had twice the winter in half the season," he said, explaining that in 2013 and 2014 combined, HRM saw 50 different weather events,



The city's superintendant of winter works Darrin Natolino said a number of service improvements will be considered, including creating a priorities plan for winter crews to have a more strategic approach on what to tackle first when a huge dump of snow falls on the city. JEFF HARPER/METRO

ranging from minor snowfalls and salting to major blizzards, over a 20-week period.

This past winter, he explained, saw 39 events — 21

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**Residents want better.**

Darrin Natolino

of those snowfalls — including three blizzards, which followed a snow-rain-freeze pattern in just ten weeks from Jan. 27 to Mar. 27.

"Juan who?" is what I've been saying," Natolino joked Thursday.

Besides extreme weather, he explained managing the expectations of residents creates increased pressures on HRM's

annual \$20-million or so snow budget.

He said the rise of multi-modal transportation creates new challenges for municipalities across the region, as more people want to bike and walk all year round, which requires better snow clearing of sidewalks and bike lanes.

However, he added that a higher quality of service affects

taxation, as resources come with a price.

In the coming months, Natolino said a number of service improvements will be considered, including creating a priorities plan for winter crews to have a more strategic approach on what to tackle first, then second and so-on, when a huge dump of snow falls on the city.

## + AT A GLANCE

Here are some of the changes Halifax's superintendant of winter works says the department is working towards for the new year:

- Re-examine the program delivery to better adapt for changing weather patterns, such as when snow turns to rain.
- Create a priorities plan to have a more planned approach to snow clearing.
- Additional resources for large equipment, such as graders and loaders.
- Hire back up plow operators to deal with staff fatigue.
- More collaboration with business districts, Halifax Water, Halifax Regional Police and the fire department.

This would be "opposed to waiting for it to happen and then getting input from all the stakeholders. You have 16 councillors, you have fire, police, transit. Everyone has priorities. You need a planned approach," he said.

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# Saunders family wrestles with joy, pain, forgiveness

## TRIAL AFTERMATH

**Guilty pleas help but don't settle grief**



**Haley Ryan**  
Metro | Halifax

Loretta Saunders' mother may feel numb, but she says she is praying for the parents of her daughter's killers.

Miriam and Clayton Saunders, Loretta's parents, joined fellow family members in an emotional news conference Thursday morning to say they were relieved to see Blake Leggette and Victoria Henneberry take responsibility for killing Saunders.

"I'm pretty exhausted. I have mixed feelings. I have joy.... There's sadness there," Miriam said seated between Clayton and Delilah, Loretta's sister.

Leggette pleaded guilty Wednesday to first-degree murder in the 26-year-old's death, while Henneberry pleaded guilty to second-degree murder.

"As a mother ... I can only imagine what their parents are feeling," Miriam said quietly. "I'd like to let them know it's



Miriam and Clayton Saunders, parents of Loretta, along with Loretta's sister Delilah, left, attend a news conference on Thursday. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

nothing against them and that I'm praying for them, too."

The three relatives spoke for more than 40 minutes, with Loretta's siblings and aunts sitting behind them, as they reflected on whether they could ever forgive Leggette and Henneberry.

"I don't feel no hate," Miriam said. "I feel so numb inside. It's almost like I got no

**"I don't feel no hate. I feel so numb inside. It's almost like I got no feelings."**

Miriam Saunders

feelings."

The agreed statement of facts says Leggette and Henneberry couldn't pay rent and killed Saunders in order to leave town. Miriam said she

felt "angry and hurt" knowing someone took her daughter's life for a small amount of rent money.

Clayton cried, his voice breaking as he talked about

his smiling, "fragile" little girl.

He arranged photos of Loretta on the table, including one of her and Clayton dancing at her Grade 9 prom.

"That was my first dance and last one with her," Clayton said.

He added that Loretta had been "good" to Leggette and Henneberry by taking them out to the movies and res-

taurants — "and this is how he turns around and rewards her."

"It's quite unreal," Clayton said. "My daughter didn't deserve it, not one bit."

Loretta Saunders, a 26-year-old Inuk woman from Labrador and Saint Mary's University student, was found dead in New Brunswick after a two-week search in February 2014.

## + NEXT STEP

Blake Leggette and Victoria Henneberry will be sentenced on Wednesday, April 29 at Nova Scotia Supreme Court in Halifax.

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I don't feel like I can forgive them at this point, but judging by the roller coaster of emotions, you don't really know where you'll end up. It's like a pendulum.

Delilah Saunders,  
Loretta's sister

Deep down in my heart I was praying and I was saying, 'God if you're real ... and you really have my daughter with you, please ask them to plead guilty.'

Miriam Saunders,  
Loretta's mother

Two Inuit women got scholarships. One who is going to university to be a pilot, another who is going to university to become a nurse, and she was actually good friends with Loretta.

Darryl Leroux,  
Saint Mary's University  
professor and Saunders'  
thesis advisor, on the  
scholarship fund

I think she would have made a big difference in Canada because she was going to do a lot of work according to her thesis ... She had something on her mind that needed to be changed.

Clayton Saunders,  
Loretta's father

## IF SHE WAS HERE

Miriam Saunders said she talks to Loretta every day in her heart.

"I say to her every day I'm proud of her," Miriam said.  
"And that I miss her."

If Clayton Saunders could see Loretta again, he doesn't think he'd say very much.

"I'd just grab her and hug her, I think," he said, his eyes filling with tears.



An Ottawan takes part in a vigil on Parliament Hill in March 2014 for Loretta Saunders. Saunders' murder helped spark a renewed cry for a national inquiry into the high rates of violence against First Nations women. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Taking up the struggle for aboriginal women

## ADVOCACY

### Saunders name added to three scholarships



Haley Ryan  
Metro | Halifax

Loretta Saunders may be gone, but her mother and sister say her work advocating for missing and murdered aboriginal women won't be lost.

Delilah Saunders, Loretta's sister, spoke with media alongside

her mother Miriam on Wednesday. She said justice may have been served in their case, but "we cannot forget the women and girls Loretta fought so passionately for."

"Loretta may not be here today, but her legacy lives on," Delilah said.

Saunders, a 26-year-old Inuk woman from Labrador, had been finishing her thesis on murdered and missing aboriginal women at Saint Mary's University, when she was killed last February.

Her disappearance and murder helped spark a renewed cry for a national inquiry into the high rates of violence against

**Loretta may not be here today, but her legacy lives on.**

Delilah Saunders, sister

First Nations women.

"Her job is done here. It's up to us to continue and to try to help murdered and missing women, and also for anybody regardless of their colour," Miriam said. "For some reason, the statistics are higher on aboriginal women, and I'd like to know why."

Saunders' name has also been attached to three scholarships. Two of those are an SMU bursary and the Loretta Saunders Community Scholarship fund.

Both Miriam and Clayton, Saunders' father, talked about how they'll remember their daughter as a loving person who cared for everybody, even strangers, and helped anyone she could.

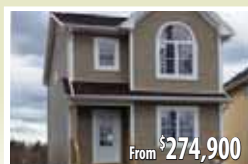
Loretta was always asking questions as a child, Clayton said, and dreamed of a career in policing or law, which Miriam said she was planning to study after giving birth to her first child.

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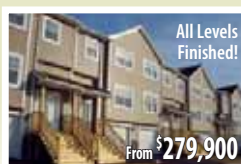


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# Cautious optimism greets revamped tax credit plan

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### Industry reps say changes will help Nova Scotia

A tax credit at the centre of a dispute since it was changed in this month's Nova Scotia budget has been revamped following days of talks between the film industry and the provincial government.

A proposed cut that would see the credit reduced to \$6 million from \$24 million will proceed; however, the structure of the incentive has been changed to a regime similar to one in Alberta.

Representatives from the province's film industry emerged from discussions with finance department officials Thursday, saying they believed the change proposed by the government would help Nova Scotia remain competitive with other parts of the country.

"Practically speaking, it keeps us in business," said Scott Simpson, vice-chairman of Screen Nova Scotia.

"We will be able to maintain the industry to a certain extent."

However, Simpson said concerns remain because the long-term ramifications of the change still aren't known. He said the industry wants to continue discussions with the province to ensure the new incentive is meeting all of its needs.

Government officials said, ultimately, filmmakers would be eligible to draw from a pool of \$10 million in the 2015-16



Actor John Dunsworth yells into a microphone during a rally outside Province House in support of the Nova Scotia film industry on April 15. A revamped program has been unveiled following intense pressure and days of negotiations. JEFF HARPER/METRO FILE

budget when their portion of a new \$6-million creative sector fund is added to the money available for the new incentive.

Officials said a cap of \$5 million or less for individual productions is also under consideration, but that could be a potential sticking point for many in the industry.

"You can't grow with a cap," said John Wesley Chisholm, a Halifax filmmaker and producer. "We won't be able to accept a cap. We're not interested in caps."



**Our industry is diverse, there are a lot of different interests. Some of the mechanisms in this new plan may be beneficial to some and some may not be so favourable to others.**

Scott Simpson, Screen Nova Scotia

Chisholm said although the change would enable the industry to get back to work, it's clear more talks are needed to convince the government of its economic worth.

Finance Minister Diana Whalen said she believes the proposed change can work for the cash-strapped government and the industry.

"It has more transparency,

it's still competitive — it's fair and it allows us to be sure that the money is spent here in Nova Scotia," she said.

Pressure from the film industry has been relentless since the Liberal government announced the tax credit cut in the April 9 budget.

Prior to the budget, the tax credit allowed qualifying productions to claim up to 65 per cent of labour costs.

Nova Scotia and Manitoba had the highest subsidies in the country.

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## DARTMOUTH

### Found money returned

Halifax police say the money found scattered at a Dartmouth intersection this week has been returned to its rightful owner.

A woman found the money around 11:30 a.m. Monday as she was out for a walk at the intersection of Laurier Street and Woodland Avenue.

She collected the bills and contacted police, who issued a media release the next day in an attempt to locate the owner.

The owner contacted police on Wednesday, advising them he had lost a sum of money in the area.

Police say he was able to provide them with the correct denominations of bills, as well as other information that allowed them to verify his claim. Police say the sum of the money was under \$1,000.

Police are thanking the woman who found and turned the money over to them so that it could be returned to its rightful owner.

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## IN BRIEF

### Young man dies in single-vehicle crash

The RCMP say a young man is dead following a single-vehicle crash in central Nova Scotia.

Police say a section of Highway 2 that runs from Onslow to Masstown was closed after the crash Wednesday around 10:30 p.m.

They say the lone occupant of the vehicle, a 20-year-old man from the Onslow area, died as a result of the accident.

An RCMP traffic accident analyst is investigating. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# Cafe-newsstand will be missed, customers say

## SMALL BUSINESS

### Paper Chase on Blowers Street closed its doors this week

Lucie Edwardson  
For Metro

The beloved Paper Chase Cafe and newsstand closed its doors to business for the final time this week.

Longtime owner George Kapsalis is retiring, leaving the space on Blowers Street available for new ownership.

Community members were shocked and saddened to hear of Paper Chase's departure, which happened officially on Tuesday.

Charlotte Butcher, 23, said outside their location Thursday that she will miss the welcoming environment and good food at what was her favourite study spot.

"I was shocked to hear that Paper Chase was closing their doors," she said.

"I went to school nearby and I used to stop in on a regular basis to grab some lunch and do some studying."

Robert Tye, an IT manager, said he used to host team meetings at Paper Chase, and will miss the cafe and people who worked there.



The now closed down Paper Chase Cafe on Blowers Street in Halifax on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

"It is a great little spot to go — or it was, anyway," said Tye.

"The atmosphere was always great, the service was excellent and knowing how welcoming and comfortable it was in there, I am sad to see it go."

With talk of plans for the space to re-open as a café and newsstand under new ownership, Tye said he hopes it will stay true to the inviting environment that character-

**I was shocked to hear that Paper Chase was closing their doors.**

Charlotte Butcher

ized the Paper Chase.

"I would love to see it re-open the same and I'll definitely check it out if it is differ-

ent, but I am really hoping it stays the same, just knowing how easy it was to go in there and feel at home," he said.

Many who took to Twitter to express their sadness are fondly remembering Paper Chase.

"When I got laid off in 2007 I sat in @PaperChaseHFX for an entire work day while very sad and had many free refills of coffee. Thanks!" said Alanna Swartz in a tweet.

Megan Blumenthal remembers visiting Paper Chase years before and tweeted her memories.

"Back in my teens I'd go get a Jones Cream Soda and snacks @PaperChaseHFX before seeing metal shows at the Pavillion."

According to the Halifax ReTales Twitter account, the space will be re-opened by the former owner of the Dandelion Café, which was located on Spring Garden Road.

## IN BRIEF

### Man facing several charges after Sackville shooting

RCMP have charged a Sackville man with a dozen charges after a shooting incident earlier this week.

Around 12:30 a.m. Wednesday, officers responded to a 911 call reporting shots fired on Jennifer Court in Lower Sackville. According to an RCMP news release, a man was seen running from the area shortly after the shots were heard, and a car was seen driving away as well. Police arrested a man a short time later. No one was hurt.

Dylan Alstrup, 19, of Sackville, is facing several weapons charges, including possession, carrying a concealed weapon, and discharging a firearm with intent to endanger life.

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### Rash of vehicle break-ins leads to charges

A 25-year-old Halifax man is facing charges of theft, possession of stolen property and trespass by night following a rash of vehicle break-ins. Halifax police responded to the 5600 block of Fenwick Street at about 12:40 a.m. after a witness saw a man breaking into a car in the area, a release said Thursday.

Officers arrived on scene quickly and arrested a man on nearby Victoria Road in the city's south end.

Police say two vehicles had been broken into, but the man was also found with numerous items that had not been taken from either of the vehicles.

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A Cormorant helicopter searches the shoreline as firefighters scan for a man who was washed into the ocean at Peggy's Cove on Wednesday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

# Recovery mission for man stalled

PEGGY'S COVE

**'State of sea' too dangerous to continue the search**

**Julia Manoukian**  
For Metro

Bad weather at Peggy's Cove has stalled the recovery mission for a 25-year-old man from Ontario who was swept into the sea Wednesday afternoon.

Cpl. Greg Church confirmed search crews were not be de-

ployed on Thursday because "the state of the sea is too dangerous to put divers in the water."

Witnesses dining at the Sou'Wester Restaurant saw the man walking on black rocks around 12:15 p.m. before he disappeared. The man was travelling with a female companion and a dog.

Church said sometimes people from outside of Nova Scotia can underestimate the power of the ocean.

"When you combine the force of those waves striking those rocks with the surface being extremely slippery, it really does turn into a recipe for disaster."

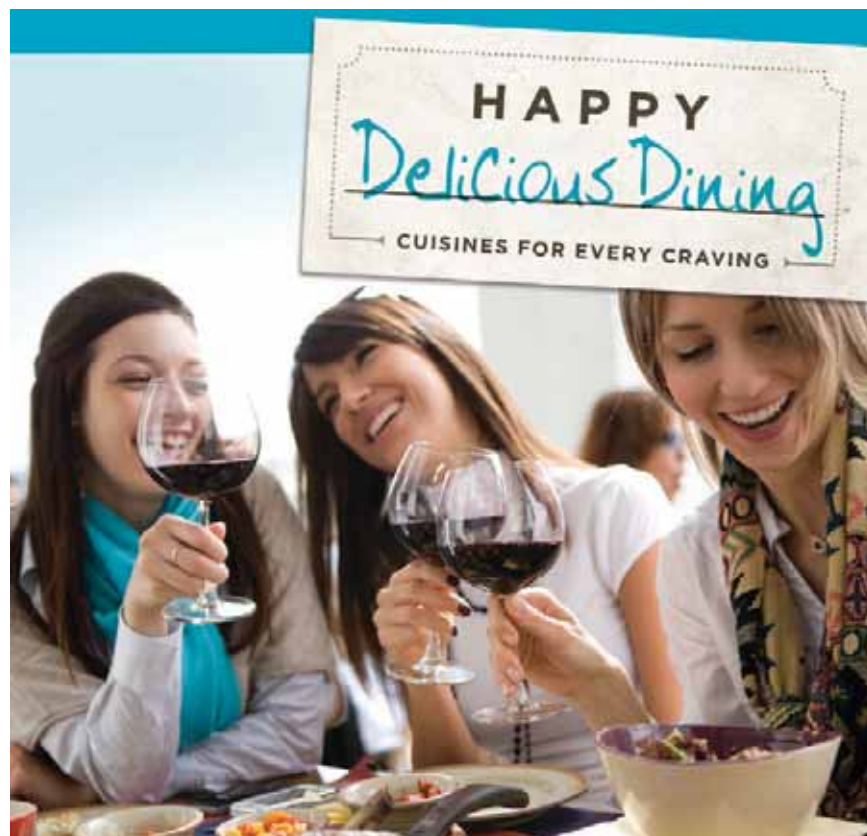
"Certainly yesterday was an

example of how disastrous venturing out on those rocks can be," he said.

Posted signage around the lighthouse cautions people against walking on the black rocks.

After six hours of searching by first responders, the Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC) and local fishermen, the search was called off at 6 p.m. yesterday.

Church said crews will assess conditions Friday morning to determine if it is safe to resume the search. Church said he's not aware of any efforts to install precautionary infrastructure, such as a fence, at the popular tourist destination.



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## PET CARE

### Always-open veterinary hospital comes to Halifax

**Julia Manoukian**  
For Metro

Dr. Emma Slater's animal hospital, located in the city's north end, now comes equipped with beds for pets, and staff.

That's because 4 Paws on Lady Hammond Road is now the first 24-hour veterinary hospital in Nova Scotia.

"4 Paws gives owners an option for their sick pets that saves them from having to transport their pet to the emergency hospital for overnight care, and back to their regular clinic in the morning when the emergency hospital closes for the day," said Slater Thursday afternoon, standing in her newly renovated space.

Slater, a practising veter-



Dr. Emma Slater, founder of Nova Scotia's first 24-hour veterinary hospital, poses for a photo on Thursday. JULIA MANOUKIAN/FOR METRO

inarian in Halifax for over 10 years, was frustrated with the current system of emergency pet care, so she decided to offer an alternative that revolves around client convenience.

"The vet industry, I think,

needs to recognize that customer service is vital. If going to the vet is a hassle, pets aren't getting the care that they need," she said.

For three years, Slater operated 4 Paws as an independent

veterinary house-call service. Now she's stepping it up.

The animal hospital comes fully equipped with in-house blood analyzers, full body and dental x-ray machines, ultrasound, surgery and dental

suites, all available 24 hours a day. Both Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick operate 24-hour animal hospitals, but because of the existing structure in Halifax, that was never an option here.

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**"You're not helping the pet if you're not making this doable for the clients."**

Dr. Emma Slater, 4 Paws

"People are expecting better and more vet care for their pets," she said.

"We look at pets more as family members now than we ever have before.

"I hear repeatedly, 'really I have to pick my animal up? They're sick, they've got tubes, she's got an IV. I have to bring all of this over there and see a new vet and then come back in the morning?'"

Currently 4 Paws has 11 employees, two of whom are veterinarians. Depending on how busy it is, Slater said she will hire more people.

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# Main runway returns to full service

## HALIFAX AIRPORT

### Crash last month send 23 people to hospital

The main runway at Halifax's airport is fully operational after a plane crash last month.

Halifax Stanfield Inter-

national Airport says antenna array damaged by the crash of the Air Canada flight has been completed and runway approach lights have also been repaired.

The runway was opened with some restrictions on April 9.

All the passengers and crew survived when Air Canada Flight 624 crashed March 29 as it landed at the airport in

a snowstorm. The Airbus A320 was flying from Toronto when it slammed into the ground about 335 metres short of the runway, then skidded for another 335 metres before stopping.

There were 133 passengers and five crew on board the plane.

Twenty-three people were taken to hospital for treatment.

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## + AIR SAFETY

### Cause of airbus crash under investigation

The March 29 accident is being investigated by the Transportation Safety Board of Canada.



The accident scene following the crash.

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## OBITUARY

### Retired Nova Scotia senator and former journalist Al Graham dies

Retired Nova Scotia senator Al Graham has died at the age of 85.

A former journalist, Graham was appointed to the Senate in 1972 by Pierre Trudeau and served until his mandatory retirement in 2004 at age 75.

He earned several other positions in the course of his

career, including president of the Liberal Party of Canada and leader of the government in the Senate.

He also served as a member of Jean Chretien's cabinet.

Premier Stephen McNeil extended his condolences to Graham's family and friends, calling Graham an example everyone should aspire to.

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## CRIME

### Jail locked down after assault on staff

The Burnside jail was in lockdown for about a day this week after an assault by an inmate on facility staff.

Communications staff with the provincial Department of Justice confirmed Wednesday that the assault took place on Wednesday, but couldn't provide any details.

On Wednesday, spokesperson Peter McLaughlin clarified that two members of the Central Nova Scotia Correctional Facility staff were involved in the assault by an inmate, but couldn't speak to the circumstances.

The assault did result in a lockdown of the facility, which ended around 4:30 p.m. Wednesday.

The incident has been referred to Halifax Regional Police for investigation, but a spokesman for the police force

## + INJURIES

### No staff sent to hospital

The province did say the jail staff members weren't hospitalized.

said Thursday the details aren't known yet.

Const. Pierre Bourdages said police are currently looking into three separate assaults that happened at the jail Tuesday, all after 3 p.m.

"With any incident at the jail, the incident occurs, it's documented by the jail people," he explained. "They put a package together, they call us to file a report. The package is picked up and assigned to an officer for investigation, and this is where these three stand."

RUTH DAVENPORT/METRO

## DOMESTIC INCIDENT

### Man arrested, charges pending after standoff with police

Police in Cape Breton say a standoff with a young man at a trailer in a community just west of North Sydney has ended peacefully.

Police say officers were called to a domestic incident around 1:45 a.m. today in which shots were fired in

Georges River. No one was injured.

They say a man in his 20s fled the scene to a residential trailer in the area and he was barricaded inside.

Police say the man peacefully left the residence at 10:15 a.m. and was arrested without incident.

Investigators say charges are pending. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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## UNIVERSITIES

## Bill would let schools use public pension

Nova Scotia universities would have the option of transferring to the much larger public service pension plan under legislation introduced today by the provincial government.

Finance Minister Diana Whalen says enabling universities to join the Nova Scotia Public Service Superannuation Plan would provide more security and reduce costs for the schools.

Whalen says Acadia University has agreed to transfer 700 members who are in its defined benefit plan to the public service plan by July 1.

She says the university estimates it will save about \$3.6

# 16,000

The public service plan has 16,000 active members and 14,000 retirees.

million a year, beginning in 2017, by making the switch.

Steven Wolff, CEO of the Nova Scotia Pension Services Corp., says the benefit of the move would see the reduction or elimination of liabilities in the smaller plans while growing the public service plan.

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### IN BRIEF

#### Leak affects county's water

A leak was affecting the water supply to some services in Inverness County on Thursday.

Municipal officials said some people had no water and others had low pressure.

Inverness Consolidated Memorial Hospital was down to emergency services as a result of the leak.

Officials with the Nova Scotia Health Authority said there was no patient walk-in service for lab collection or X-rays, and surgical procedures and other non-urgent appointments were cancelled. A school was also closed.

Officials didn't know when full water pressure would be restored. THE CANADIAN PRESS

#### Port Hawkesbury sheriff acquitted of sexual assault

A head sheriff in Nova Scotia has been acquitted of sexual assault. RCMP arrested James William Snow, 60, in November 2008.

The complainant testified Snow, who had been a sheriff for more than 30 years, called her three times the day before the alleged incident took place in Troy.

But during cross-examination, the defence used phone records to call into question the times and lengths of those calls.

The Crown determined there was no realistic chance of conviction Thursday, leading chief Justice Joseph Kennedy to order an acquittal.

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The QEII Health Sciences Centre in Halifax. A black metallic residue found on sterile equipment has caused the postponement of more than 300 surgeries, all of which will be rescheduled with priority cases taking precedence. JEFF HARPER/METRO

# Black dust on sterile equipment metallic

## HEALTH

## Presence of residue leads to cancellation of 300+ surgeries

Lucie Edwardson  
For Metro | Halifax

More than 300 surgeries have been postponed at the Queen Elizabeth II Health Sciences Centre due to a black metallic residue found on sterilized equipment.

Everton McLean, spokesman for Capital Health, said on

Thursday that an out-of-province sterilization expert was able to determine through testing that the residue was metallic in nature, but they are still not sure what exactly has caused it.

"We don't know yet, but we are narrowing in on that," he said. "What we have been able to determine is that it is metal, and we have sent it for additional testing to find out the exact composition and we are expecting to find out in the next day or so."

McLean said the hospital is working to reschedule all postponed surgeries.

"The physicians who were to perform the surgeries and their

**We are working towards a solution as soon as possible.**

Everton McLean

offices, in coordination with our clinical teams, are working to notify the patients and then reschedule them on a priority basis. So looking at the most urgent cases first and booking those in."

He said the QEII Health Sciences Centre will be exploring options to increase sterilization at other Nova Scotia Health

Authority sites and partner organizations which will allow them to increase the number of surgeries they do next week.

"We are working towards plans to be able to increase our capacity next week in order to do more of the surgeries that have been postponed," said McLean.

He said that they understand the inconvenience that this has caused many patients.

"We know it is going to take some time to get through all of these cases, which is unfortunate and we empathize with those patients who are having a frustrating time because of this," he said.

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# No jail time for man who bit RCMP officer

## COURT

### Judge hands 25-year-old a conditional sentence

A Nova Scotia man will serve a conditional sentence in the community he lives in after an RCMP officer responding to a noise complaint in Wallbrook was bitten.

"It was a one-night mistake," 25-year-old Justin Terry Grant Oxford of Wolfville said just prior to being sentenced.

"A huge mistake," Judge Claudine MacDonald said.

The court heard that an RCMP officer was responding to a noise complaint in Wallbrook on April 12, 2014, when he encountered Oxford on a deck drinking a beer. A struggle ensued after the officer spoke to Oxford and walked past him

to see what was going on in the woods out back.

Crown Robert Morrison said the officer was bitten on the forearm, tearing through his shirt. Defence Chris Manning later said his client has "no independent recollection of that" but accepts responsibility.

Morrison said the officer was able to handcuff Oxford and put him in the back of the police cruiser. However, another man went around the car and opened the door to let Oxford out.

Morrison said that a couple other men became involved in the struggle and at one point had the officer down on his knees. They wrangled on a deck, the men trying to throw the officer over the railing. However, the officer was able to throw Oxford over and the other men retreated.

Morrison said that the officer had tried to deploy his Taser at one point but was unsuccessful, although Manning



A Nova Scotia man has been sentenced for biting a police officer in an incident last year. COURTESY COLORBOX.COM

later said his client had been Tasered in the struggle and was scared.

Manning said the offence

seems "completely out of character" for Oxford, who had a positive pre-sentence report.

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## CRIME

### SiRT looking for witnesses to arrest

Nova Scotia's Serious Incident Response Team (SiRT) is looking for witnesses to the arrest of a 23-year-old man last month that left him with serious head injuries.

Police say officers with Halifax Regional Police were called to a restaurant on Granville Street in downtown Halifax on March 23 after reports of a theft from a woman's purse.

Investigators say a suspect was located on nearby George Street and led police on a foot pursuit. Police say officers eventually used a conducted energy weapon on the man, causing

## + INJURIES

### Man out of hospital

Police say the man was taken to hospital with serious head injuries, but has since been released.

him to fall to the ground.

The team, which is responsible for investigating all serious incidents involving police in Nova Scotia, is looking to speak with people who witnessed the incident.

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## IN BRIEF

### Company vehicles broken into in Burnside

Police are reminding people to lock their vehicles and remove valuables after a string of reports of items being stolen from inside unattended company vehicles.

In most cases, the vehicles belonged to construction companies and a

variety of tools were stolen from the locked vehicles in the Burnside area of Dartmouth.

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# Makeup artist's services a personal expense: Witness

TRIAL

## Senate finance official rejected Mike Duffy's \$300 claim

A senior Senate official says she rejected Mike Duffy's \$300 claim for a makeup artist's services six years ago because it was a personal — not a parliamentary — expense.

Nicole Proulx, head of the Senate's finance directorate at the time, testified at the suspended senator's fraud trial on Thursday that the "uniqueness" of the March 2009 expense claim prompted an employee to bring it to her attention.

It appears Proulx had no difficulty deciding whether the services of professional makeup artist Jacqueline A. Lambert — provided for a photographic shoot of Duffy's official Senate portrait — qualified for reimbursement.

"My reaction was 'no,'" Proulx said under questioning by Crown prosecutor Jason Neubauer. "It was personal."

Proulx, now the Senate's chief corporate services officer, said she then contacted Duffy's office to explain why it was not considered an appropriate expense.

Proulx recalled that she spoke with a member of Duffy's staff and asked "if she would pass on the information to Sen. Duffy

### + CHARGES

Duffy has pleaded not guilty to 31 charges of fraud, breach of trust and bribery concerning his Senate expense claims.

so he would consider paying it himself."

"I was told no, that Sen. Duffy wanted to pursue this."

Proulx subsequently sent an April 9, 2009, letter to Duffy saying the Senate finance directorate is required to ensure claims and supporting documentation conform with rules and policies prior to reimbursement.

As a result, the directorate did not have the authority to process the invoice and returned the original material to Duffy.

The senator was advised he could ask the standing committee on internal economy, budgets and administration to consider the matter — something Duffy apparently took steps to do but ultimately opted against.

The minutiae of the contractual paperwork Duffy filed during his initial years in the upper chamber continued to hold the spotlight at the trial Thursday.

Neubauer walked Proulx through the details of a series of Duffy's contracts for editorial services.

Some of the criminal charges Duffy faces involve \$65,000



Witness Nicole Proulx testifies at the Mike Duffy trial in Ottawa on Wednesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

in contracts awarded to friend Gerald Donohue.

Some of that money later wound up in the hands of others through Donohue's companies.

Previous testimony at the

trial indicates Lambert was among those paid with these funds — in her case to do Duffy's makeup before a television appearance with Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

The defence has argued that while there might have been some administrative errors, Duffy's contracts with Donohue involved legitimate Senate expenses. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Christiane Taubira, France's visiting justice minister.

SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

FRENCH MINISTER

## Terror linked to racism: Taubira

The marginalization caused by racism has an alienating effect that makes people more vulnerable to terrorist recruiters, says France's visiting justice minister.

Christiane Taubira knows of what she speaks: as France's most prominent black politician, she has faced repeated public racist slurs in her country.

Taubira made it clear that she doesn't see being discriminated against as an explanation or excuse for terrorism.

"I'm not sure I want to understand the causes of terrorism," she said in an exclusive interview Thursday at the French Embassy in Ottawa. "Terror is terror, just absolute."

But Taubira said there is a link between a young person being pushed to the margins of society and "how easy" that makes it for a terrorist to recruit them, especially using the Internet.

"Because it's so easy for (terrorists) to say, 'You will be very important because you will be very powerful, you will be able to kill, and afterwards you will be happy,'" she said.

"The link is there. It's easy to convince young people that there is a better life in terrorism than in hoping in the society."

Taubira said being on the receiving end of some vicious racist slurs has only made her stronger.

"It keeps me vigilant because I realize how violent a society is against so many people who are not as strong as I am. I'm strong because I've been fighting for a long time."

She said this week's appointment of Toronto's first black police chief, Mark Saunders, carries the sort of symbolism that can give some young people a sense of hope. But she was quick to add: "I don't want just one person on TV, one person in the government ... I want equality for all."

Taubira was on a visit to meet her federal counterparts in Ottawa. Justice Minister Peter MacKay and Public Safety Minister Steven Blaney, and will travel to Montreal on Friday.

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ALBANY RIVER

## Ontario First Nation starts evacuation

The evacuation of a remote northern Ontario First Nation has begun as the rapidly rising Albany River threatens the community.

Three flights have already left the James Bay community of Kashechewan, Ont., en route to Kapuskasing, according to Chief Derek Stephen.

About 600 of the most vulnerable residents will be gone by Friday, Stephen said.

The dike protecting the community is old and inadequate, with an engineering assessment showing there's a "horrible risk of collapsing," he said. The plan is to have all 1,900 residents leave within the next week.

This is the fourth consecutive year the First Nation has had to be evacuated.

**“We cannot continue to live this way.”**

Chief Derek Stephen

Stephen says the community spent \$21 million on the evacuation last year, and millions more on repairs after much of the community had to live elsewhere for about a month. About 350 people still live in hotels and apartments in Kapuskasing because of last year's flood.

It's time to move the entire community to higher ground so they don't have to do this every spring when the ice thaws and the Albany River rises, Stephen said. THE CANADIAN PRESS



# Isolation in a poverty bubble

## CHALLENGE DAY 4

### Metro reporter realizes hunger isn't all he has to worry about



**Gilbert Ngabo**  
Metro | Toronto

I faced a surprising challenge one morning this week.

As I was on the train coming into work, the sky unexpectedly turned dark and it started pouring rain. It was one of those cold mornings in the middle of April when what everybody wants is as much sunshine and warmth

as possible. My friend, who rides the train with me, started talking about getting his second coffee of the day as soon as we got to the terminal.

It was a couple of days into this week's challenge of Living Below the Line and experiencing some semblance of life in extreme poverty. I was beginning to feel slightly more hungry and physically weaker. I'd expected this, but what I hadn't expected was to find myself in a kind of seclusion — kept from normal life routines because of money constraints.

I'm not a big coffee drinker, but on that particular morning, a coffee and a chat with a friend in that cold would have been perfect.

## LIVING BELOW THE LINE

**The reporter:** Gilbert Ngabo works for Metro in Toronto. He moved to Canada from Rwanda five years ago.

**The mission:** To live on just \$1.75 a day for five days — a challenge made to all Canadians by the Global Poverty Project, which says that's the daily budget

of those who live below the poverty line.

**The series:** Day 4 of 5, the social isolation that comes with poverty.

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Poverty, it turns out, is more than just feeling hungry and tired. There's a sense of isolation that comes from not being able to socialize with a friend over, say, a cup of coffee.

I've been feeling isolated all week. The bubble of restrictions created by the challenge makes it impossible to sit down and share a meal with others, either at home or in a restaurant.

I passed on going out with friends to watch a Raptors game, fearing that would mean spending money on drinks.

And I didn't make plans to go to the movies, because that would probably mean buying popcorn or something else totally beyond my \$1.75-a-day budget.

Part of what I've learned since taking on this challenge has been to appreciate the little things in life that I take for granted. That morning was one of those learning moments.

In modern society, coffee isn't something most people have to have a plan to buy. If you feel like having a cup, you can just grab some change and go get it. You

hardly ever mind the price.

I successfully resisted the urge to act that morning as my friend bought a coffee when we arrived at the food court.

On the rest of the trip to my office, I reflected on what poverty really means to the people who live in it. I imagined a poor person missing out on that coffee and chat due to lack of money.

The struggle of living on a meager budget is about more than food, basic shelter, clothing and education. There's an emotional toll that leads to anxiety and, quite honestly, depression.

Just another reminder that I'm lucky to be able to share a coffee with a friend, any time I want.



Brent Johnson, maintenance worker with The Crowne Plaza Lord Beaverbrook Hotel, adds more sandbags to one of the barricades built to keep the water out of the bottom floor of the hotel in Fredericton on Thursday. STEPHEN MACGILLIVRAY/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## EMERGENCY

### High water concern in New Brunswick

Emergency Measures officials in New Brunswick say water levels remain a concern along the St. John River.

But they say ice jams above Grand Falls and below Perth-Andover are gone, easing concerns about ice problems in the area.

Emergency Measures tweeted earlier Thursday that water levels of some rivers in the province are above flood stage.

The province has warned of possible flooding over the next few days, as snow con-

tinues to melt and rain keeps falling.

Environment Canada said roughly 20 millimetres of rain was expected in some areas Thursday, with another five millimetres forecast for Friday.

Perth-Andover has been under a state of emergency since last weekend over flooding concerns from the St. John River.

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# Killer took photos of victims: relative

## SASKATCHEWAN

### Woman and three children killed; suspect shoots himself

He killed them. And then he took their photos and sent them to their father.

A relative of a woman and three children murdered this week in Saskatchewan said their killer took pictures of the bodies and sent copies to the children's biological father before taking his own life.

Tim Funk, a cousin of Latasha Gosling, said Steve O'Shaughnessy was the woman's boyfriend and that he was emotionally abusive, controlling and jealous.

Gosling, 27, was separated from her husband, but not officially divorced, and had been with O'Shaughnessy for the last couple of years, Funk said.

The husband often went to visit his three kids: Jenika 8, Landen, 7, and Janayah, 4. They had been living most recently with Gosling and O'Shaughnessy in a rented mobile home in Tisdale, a town of 3,200 northeast of Saskatoon.

The boyfriend "didn't like it at all" when the husband came around, Funk said.

On Tuesday, the husband received the gruesome photos in a text sent to his cellphone, said Funk. It was the day before the husband's birthday.

O'Shaughnessy "sent them to him as a birthday gift."

Funk said the husband called Mounties, who found the bodies early Wednesday in the mobile home.

RCMP have confirmed that officers received a call from a family member around supper-time Tuesday, saying the woman and children hadn't been heard from all day and couldn't be reached.

Officers obtained a search



Latasha Gosling and three of her children - Janayah, Jenika and Landen. HO-THE CANADIAN PRESS

warrant for the trailer and found the four, but have not said how they were killed.

The manager of the mobile home park said he was called by police that night to bring over a spare key.

He saw the children's distraught father there.

Officers tracked a suspect to a home 130 kilometres away in Prince Albert.

Police said the man had taken a six-month-old baby with him from the trailer. He then killed himself, but the infant was unharmed.

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## JUSTICE

### Top court OKs extradition of two

The Supreme Court of Canada has cleared the way for two Canadian men to be extradited to New Hampshire to face trial in what the Crown called the "brutal, hate-inspired murder of a lesbian couple."

The justices ruled directly from the bench after a hearing on Thursday.

Anthony Barnaby and David Caplin are wanted by American authorities in a cold case investigation into the 1988 killings of Charlene Ranstrom and Brenda Warner. The two men were living in Nashua, N.H., at the time.

Barnaby was tried three times in the killings, but each trial ended in a hung jury and charges were dismissed after the third mistrial in 1990. Caplin was charged, but never tried after key evidence was excluded.

The case languished for two decades, but was re-opened in 2010, when police re-interviewed witnesses and new DNA testing techniques were used. The Canadian government ordered the extraditions in 2011, but they have been under appeal since then.

The Quebec Court of Appeal approved Caplin's extradition, but blocked Barnaby's, saying a fourth trial constituted an abuse and that the new evidence referred to by the American police was not really new.

Caplin appealed his extradition to the Supreme Court, while the Crown appealed the ruling that quashed Barnaby's extradition. The two cases were heard together.

Mark Sisti, the American lawyer who defended Barnaby 25 years ago and worked on his extradition case, said he's stunned that the case is being resuscitated.

"It's absolutely outrageous," he said in an interview. "I can't even imagine this thing coming back here."

"I don't know what's going on here. I am absolutely befuddled as to why a case as weak as this one has drawn so much attention from the attorney general's office in New Hampshire." Sisti said no one in New Hampshire has ever been tried four times for the same crime. The Crown says a fourth trial was not necessarily an abuse. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# Obama takes responsibility for drone-strike casualties

## MILITARY

## American and Italian hostages killed in CIA mission

President Barack Obama revealed Thursday that U.S. drone strikes in Pakistan inadvertently killed an American and an Italian, two hostages held by al-Qaida, as well as two other Americans who had leadership roles with the terror network.

Obama somberly said he took full responsibility for the January CIA strikes and regretted the deaths of hostages Warren Weinstein and Giovanni Lo Porto, an Italian aid worker.

The president cast the incident as a tragic consequence of the special difficulties of the fight against terrorists.

The incident is likely to spark fresh scrutiny of Obama's frequent use of drones to target terrorists and his pledge to strike only when there is "near-certainty" that no civilians will be harmed.

Weinstein, who was captured as he neared the end of a contract assignment with the U.S. Agency for International Development, and Lo Porto were



President Barack Obama pauses while speaking in the Brady Press Briefing Room of the White House in Washington on Thursday. The president took full responsibility for deaths of American and Italian hostages, and expressed apologies. PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

killed during a drone strike against an al-Qaida compound in Pakistan, near the Afghan border.

U.S. officials said the compound was targeted because intelligence showed it was frequented by al-Qaida leaders. That same intelligence offered no indication the hostages were there, the officials said.

Ahmed Farouq, a dual U.S.-Pakistani national who was an al-Qaida operations leader in Pakistan, was killed in the strike, along with a small number of members of the terror organization, the officials said. Adam



**It is a cruel and bitter truth that in the fog of war generally and our fight against terrorists specifically, mistakes — sometimes deadly mistakes — can occur.**

U.S. President Barack Obama

Gadah, an American who served as an al-Qaida spokesman, was killed in a separate strike on a second compound.

"It is a cruel and bitter truth that in the fog of war generally and our fight against terrorists specifically, mistakes — sometimes deadly mistakes — can

occur," Obama said at the White House.

U.S. officials said Farouq and Gadahn were not specifically targeted in the operations and there was no evidence they were at either compound. The officials said had they reviewed hundreds of hours of surveillance of the

compounds, including continuous monitoring of the facility where Farouq was killed in the days leading up to the strike.

"We believed that this was an al-Qaida compound, that no civilians were present and that capturing these terrorists was not possible," Obama said. "And we do believe that the operation did take out dangerous members of al-Qaida."

The president said he had ordered a review of the incidents to help identify any changes that might be made to prevent similar deaths in the future.

The CIA drone program has killed al-Qaida leaders, Pakistani Taliban fighters and other militants hiding in tribal regions, sparking anger across Pakistan over allegations of widespread civilian casualties.

White House spokesman Josh Earnest said Obama did not personally sign off on the two drone strikes but believes they fell within the guidelines he has set for counterterror missions. Earnest also said the president did not regret the deaths of Farouq and Gadahn.

Officials said it became evident in the weeks after the strikes that Weinstein, the American hostage, might have been killed. A final assessment was reached in recent days and administration officials started briefing members of Congress.

The Republican leader of the House, Speaker John Boehner, welcomed Obama's review of the incident, calling it "entirely appropriate." And Rep. Adam Schiff, the top Democrat on the House Intelligence Committee, said it would be crucial to examine the operation "to make sure that the high standards that have been set were, in fact, met."

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## MEDITERRANEAN

## EU states commit to aiding migrants

European Union leaders committed extra ships, planes and helicopters to save lives in the Mediterranean at an emergency summit convened Thursday to address a crisis that has left more than 1,300 migrants dead over the past three weeks, and agreed to lay the groundwork for military action against traffickers.

Germany and France pledged two ships each, while Britain committed three to patrol the Mediterranean, and other member states also lined up more vessels and helicopters that could be used to rescue migrants, officials said.

EU member states also agreed to triple funding to nine million euros (\$9.7 million US) a month for the EU operation that patrols the Mediterranean.

They assigned EU foreign policy chief Federica Mogherini to line up the diplomatic options that would allow EU militaries to strike against the boats used by traffickers. Officials said the lack of a strong Libyan government would likely make UN backing necessary.

"Leaders have already pledged significantly greater support, including many more vessels, aircraft and experts" than had been anticipated, EU President Donald Tusk said. French President Francois Hollande said the EU would hold a summit in Malta with African countries by this summer to see how the continents can work together to better deal with the crisis.

The announcements came as 24 victims of the worst-ever migrant disaster in the Mediterranean were buried Thursday in Malta. Two dozen caskets containing the only bodies recovered from the weekend capsizing off Libya that left some 800 migrants feared dead were laid out for a memorial service on the grounds of Malta's main hospital, followed by burial at the island nation's largest cemetery.

Desperate migrants fleeing war, repression and poverty in Africa and the Middle East threw their lot in with smugglers who charged \$1,000 to \$2,000 for a spot on overcrowded and unseaworthy boats to make the perilous crossing. Ending that is Europe's main challenge.

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**1,300**

**1,300 migrants have died in the Mediterranean over the past three weeks.**

## + STRIKES

Since 2004, the U.S. has carried out some 400 suspected drone strikes in Pakistan, according to the New America Foundation's International Security Program, which tracks the American campaign.

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## FERGUSON, MO.

## Brown's parents file wrongful-death suit

Michael Brown's parents filed a wrongful-death lawsuit against the city of Ferguson on Thursday, opening a new chapter in the legal battle over the 18-year-old's fatal shooting by a white officer that sparked a protest movement about the way police in the U.S. treat blacks.

Brown was unarmed and walking in the street with a friend on Aug. 9 when officer Darren Wilson told them to move to the sidewalk. That led to a heated confrontation and a scuffle be-

tween Wilson and Brown inside Wilson's squad car. Wilson shot Brown after the scuffle spilled into the street. Some witnesses said Brown was trying to surrender, but Wilson said Brown was moving toward him aggressively, forcing him to shoot.

Civil cases generally require a lower standard of proof than criminal cases. Jurors must find a preponderance of evidence, not proof beyond a reasonable doubt needed to convict in a criminal trial. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## IN BRIEF

### Ex-CIA director sentenced to two years probation, \$100K fine

Former CIA director David Petraeus, whose career was destroyed by an extramarital affair with his biographer, was sentenced Thursday to two years' probation and fined \$100,000 for giving her classified material.

The sentencing came two months after he agreed to plead guilty to a federal misdemeanor count of unauthorized removal and retention of classified material. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## SOUTH AFRICA

## Thousands march against xenophobia

Several thousand people marched through South Africa's largest city on Thursday in a demonstration against recent attacks on immigrants that killed seven people.

Demonstrators walked through the centre of Johannesburg, passing high-rise neighborhoods that are home to many immigrants.

The crowd sang, whistled and beat drums. Children in school uniform mingled with activists. The violence against immigrants

in South Africa this month occurred in Johannesburg and another major city, Durban. The attacks stemmed from a perception among some South Africans that immigrants are taking jobs and opportunities at their expense.

"At least people will see not everyone is xenophobic," said Adria Kayitare, a Rwandan immigrant in South Africa, said she joined the march because she believed it would send a strong message to South Africans.

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## ESPIONAGE

## Spy flees Argentina in wake of threats

Argentina's most famous spy master has fled the country due to threats on his life and is not complying with a summons ordering him to testify Thursday in connection with the investigation into a 1994 terror bombing, his lawyer said.

Antonio Stiuso fears for his safety, his lawyer, Santiago Blanco Bermudez, told The Associated Press during an interview Wednesday evening. He said Stiuso contends the government is trying to sully his reputation following the mysterious death of a prosecutor who accused Argentine leaders of protecting the masterminds of the bombing.

"We believe (Stiuso) will continue to be a government target," said Blanco Bermudez, who declined to specify the threats or disclose his client's location.

Stiuso was called to testify Thursday about allegations he hid information related to the bombing, which killed 85 people at Argentina's main Jewish centre. Stiuso also has been accused of running a con-

traband operation and tax evasion.

Blanco Bermudez said all the accusations were baseless. Stiuso, who oversaw a vast wire-tapping operation before being removed from his post in December, had assisted prosecutor Alberto Nisman in his investigation of the unsolved bombing, which stands as the country's worst terrorist attack.

Nisman was found shot dead in his bathroom on Jan. 18, days after accusing President Cristina Fernandez of reaching a secret deal with Iran to cover up its alleged responsibility for the bombing. Fernandez strongly denies the accusations, which have been thrown out by a federal judge and rejected on appeal, and Iran long has said it had no role in the attack.

Fernandez, in recent months, has suggested Nisman was killed by rogue intelligence agents, but has not provided any details to support that. She also said that Stiuso fed false information to Nisman and even had a hand in writing the late prosecutor's report. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



**CHILE CALBUCO VOLCANO ERUPTS NEAR PUERTO VARAS** The Calbuco volcano erupted Wednesday for the first time in more than 42 years, billowing a huge ash cloud over a sparsely populated, mountainous area in south Chile. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Mystery illness forces jet's sudden landing

## AIR SAFETY

### Passengers sick, breathless, so crew takes quick action

An airline passenger said he had trouble breathing, and others felt ill, but the airline

said Thursday that an inspection found no mechanical faults after the jet made an emergency landing in New York.

And while federal safety officials had no explanation for what happened on the aircraft on Wednesday, aviation experts said the flight crew did the right thing by quickly descending to 10,000 feet, an

altitude with life-giving oxygen levels.

SkyWest Flight 5622, operating as United Express and carrying 75 passengers, left O'Hare airport in Chicago on Wednesday morning and was bound for Bradley International Airport near Hartford. The Embraer E170 began a steep, rapid descent from its cruising altitude of 37,000 feet after the

crew declared an emergency and landed in Buffalo late Wednesday morning.

A U.S. official said the crew acted because of word of illness in the cabin but didn't report to controllers any problems with the aircraft.

Passenger Larry Johnson said it became difficult to breathe partway through the flight.

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### IN BRIEF

#### Congratulations, applicant ... or, maybe not

Hundreds of students who received acceptance letters from Drexel University in Philadelphia are now being told they were sent by mistake. WTXF-TV reports Drexel University mailed the letters to nearly 500 people who had already been denied ad-

mission or had incomplete applications. Tearra Bookard tells the station she received her acceptance letter three weeks after she was denied admission. The 17-year-old says she told friends about the good news only to receive an email later notifying her of the mistake.

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# Gallipoli is remembered

## FIRST WORLD WAR

### 100 years ago, Allied offensive resulted in 130,000 deaths

Whenever he leaves the house, Kenan Ersoz hides the bayonet his father used to defend the crumbling Ottoman Empire against the British-led invasion of Gallipoli a century ago. The father saw it as a friend that kept him alive. The son keeps it as his most prized possession. The campaign is no less present for descendants of soldiers from Australia and New Zealand who played a leading role for the other side.

John Carnell travelled from Sydney with his wife, Carol, and two children, Kate and Tom, to visit spots where his great-grandfather landed on the peninsula — and where he was mortally wounded months later. In the lottery to obtain tickets for the 100th anniversary commemoration this week, Carnell wanted his children to come more than



A Gallipoli memorial at Eceabat in Gallipoli peninsula, Turkey. LEFERIS PITRAKIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

he wanted to come himself.

"People only really die when the living stop talking about them," he said. "I can bang on about my ancestor for another 20 years or so. My children can do it for 50 and they can tell their grandchildren."

As world leaders gather

**We could see the ugly side of war on my father's body.**

Kenan Ersoz

Thursday and Friday with the descendants, the memories of one of the most harrowing campaigns of the 20th century have come surging back to life. The doomed Allied offensive to secure a naval route from the Mediterranean to Istanbul through the Dardanelles, and

take the Ottomans out of the war, resulted in over 130,000 deaths on both sides. It came to be seen as a folly of British war planning.

The campaign's enduring poignancy may be that it forged national identities for countries on both sides.

Mustafa Kemal Atatürk used his prominence as a commander at Gallipoli, known as Canakkale to the Turks, to vault into prominence, lead Turkey's War of Independence — and ultimately found the Turkish Republic.

Similarly, the tragic fate of troops from Australia and New Zealand, who played a key role in the campaign, is said to have inspired an identity distinct from Britain. The anniversary of the start of the land campaign on April 25, known as ANZAC Day, after the Australia and New Zealand Army Corps, is marked as a coming of age for both nations.

On April 25, 1915, troops were rowed in at dawn to narrow beaches with scant cover only to encounter rugged hills and scorching fire by concealed Turks. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## IN BRIEF

### Japan has 'wrong attitude to history': China

Three Japanese cabinet ministers on Thursday visited a Tokyo shrine that honours the country's war dead, including convicted war criminals, drawing a rebuke from China one day after Prime Minister Shinzo Abe met President Xi Jinping.

"I offered my sincere appreciation for the people who fought and sacrificed their lives for the sake of their country," said Eriko Yamatani, disaster management minister. Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Hong Lei called the visits a "wrong attitude to history." China and South Korea, both victims of Japan's aggression, have asked Tokyo to atone.

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### SS guard knew Jews would die: Testimony

A former Auschwitz guard Oskar Groening, now 93, being tried in Berlin on accessory to murder, testified that it was clear to him Jews were not expected to leave the camp in Poland alive. It was the trial's third day. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## IN BRIEF

**Ontario to lead export growth this year: Report**

Ontario is expected to lead all other provinces in export growth this year before a recovery in oil prices in 2016 restores the fortunes of energy-producing provinces like Alberta, according to a report Thursday by Export Development Canada. Exports of goods from Canada's manufacturing heartland are forecast to grow by 10 per cent to \$195 billion.

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**B.C. firm to help space station's live stream**

A Vancouver-based company has announced that it's teaming up with NASA to help send out live, high-definition video of the Earth taken from the International Space Station. Scott Larson, the CEO of UrtheCast Corp., says within a few months his firm's website will be distributing the real-time video taken by four cameras on the space station.

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Researchers have linked a spike in seismic activity in the U.S. mainly to injecting wastewater underground, activating dormant faults. KAREN BLEIER/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

# Report maps earthquakes set off by energy drilling

## OIL AND GAS

## Stable regions in 8 U.S. states see seismic activity spike

More than a dozen areas in the United States have been shaken in recent years by small earthquakes triggered by oil-and-gas drilling, a government report released Thursday found.

The man-made quakes jolted once-stable regions in eight states, including parts of Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Ohio,

Oklahoma and Texas, according to researchers at the U.S. Geological Survey.

Experts said the spike in seismic activity is mainly caused by the oil-and-gas industry injecting wastewater deep underground, which can activate dormant faults. A few instances stem from hydraulic fracturing, in which large volumes of water, sand and chemicals are pumped into rock formations to free oil or gas.

Many studies have linked the rise in small quakes to the injection of wastewater into disposal wells, but the Geological Survey's report takes the first comprehensive look



**They're ancient faults.... We don't always know where they are.**

Geological Survey geophysicist William Ellsworth

at where the man-made quakes are occurring.

"The hazard is high in these areas," said Mark Petersen, who leads the agency's national mapping project.

Oklahoma lately has been rocked by more magnitude-3 quakes than California, the most seismically active of the lower 48 states, Petersen said.

Oklahoma was not on scientists' radar until recently, when the state experienced

a spate of quakes, the largest registering a magnitude-5.6 in 2011. Earlier this week, the Oklahoma Geological Survey acknowledged that it is very likely that most of the recent shaking is from wastewater disposal.

Many faults awakened by drilling have not moved in millions of years, Geological Survey geophysicist William Ellsworth said.

"They're ancient faults," Ells-

worth said. "We don't always know where they are."

A message to the American Petroleum Institute was not immediately returned. The industry group has said efforts are made to map fault lines where drilling occurs.

A group of experts met last year in Oklahoma to pinpoint seismic hot spots around the country caused by induced quakes. Scientists initially identified 14 regions affected by quakes linked to drilling. They later added three other high-risk areas — northern Oklahoma/southern Kansas; Greeley, Colo.; and Azle, Texas.

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## ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

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### A toast to toast (and not the artisanal kind sold at luxury prices)

Toast is among the more inane hipster trends right now: Painfully cool cafés charging \$5 for a slice of artisan toast and jam. But toast hit peak cliché with the advent of the charred selfie.

The U.S. company Burnt Impressions charges \$85 for a customized toaster that pops out browned bread in your likeness, which seems especially pricey since you'll likely slather peanut butter on top, making your face pointless.

There is no simple pleasure that hipsters won't corrupt.

Toast culture itself is very, very old. Writer Mary Mann has traced it back to the Romans: "Tostum" is Latin for scorched, and toast was made by putting stale bread on a stone near fire, and later, on a wire frame over fire," she wrote in her essay *A Brief History of Toast*. It was about household economics, a way to rejuvenate stale bread and extend your food.

Toasting forks were invented to make the process easier, and they became ubiquitous by the 19th century, said food historian William Rubel, author of the book *Bread: A Global History*. "When you use a toasting fork and toast in front of the fire place, you can fully modulate the extent to which the toast is toasted." It was, he said, the most personalized of foods.

British toast culture likely

developed in part because wheat bread is well suited to toasting, he mused. But it was the invention of the electric toaster and sliced bread that cemented toast as the humble, inexpensive breakfast food of modern England, the U.S. and Canada.

Toast culture has other reasons for enduring. The sweet smell of bread crisping. The charred, caramelized taste. At my grandmother's cottage on Lake Muskoka, the dining table was a long picnic bench to squeeze as many people in at a time, and the toaster sat on the sideboard. Whoever sat nearest was on duty, rotating slices in, serving them out when they shot up steaming.

Even scientists haven't been able to resist toast's allure. One researcher in the U.K. found our love of toast is really a love of childhood, and the aroma brings waves of memories — nostalgia for breakfast.

I guess, then, we should have been expecting this — overpriced toast that misses the point that toast is loved for its humbleness, and breakfast as yet another mirror of your own existence. It used be Jesus on a slice of bread.

I'd rather see his face in the morning than my own, and I wish "artisan" wasn't an excuse to charge luxury prices for such a simple pleasure as toast.

## Happy face/Sad face

From potential **personhood** for primates to **lewd funerals**, Metro weighs in on the news that made headlines this week



### Community composting happens

Free piles of compost and (if you're lucky) manure are starting to appear at designated pick-up points across Canada, thanks to local initiatives by municipalities and neighbourhood groups. Residents use pails or wheelbarrows to collect "black gold" for their gardens. For more information, contact your municipality — or start your own program with help from the Compost Council of Canada at [compost.org](http://compost.org).



### Stripping for the dead no longer allowed

A dearth of cultural activities and the belief that high turnout honours the dead has resulted in traditional opera and even movie screenings at family funerals in rural China. But "lewd" performances — including strippers — is going too far, say authorities. The Ministry of Culture has announced that those responsible for any more vulgar acts will be punished. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



### New Orleans, Miami: sin cities no more?

New Orleans has imposed a ban on smoking in bars, gambling halls, hotels, workplaces, private clubs and stores. And that includes e-cigarettes. Meanwhile, in Miami, city commissioners are considering a proposal to ban alcohol sales at open-air bars and cafés — but only from 2 to 8 a.m. Last call is currently 5 a.m., with drinking in the wee hours blamed for a rise in bad behaviour all round.



### Chimpanzees may yet get person status

Two research chimpanzees may be freed next month if the New York State Supreme Court deems they have rights as persons. The lawsuit was initiated by the Non-human Rights Project. According to Science magazine, NhRP is set to launch more cases offering scientific evidence that elephants, great apes, whales and dolphins "are autonomous beings and deserve the right to bodily liberty."

# Men eat up feminism when it's this funny

## THE KOHLER REPORT

Rebecca Kohler



Some people take feminist studies because they're interested, others take it to pick up chicks (I seriously know a guy who did that), and some people might be taking a variation of feminist studies without even knowing it.

American comedian Amy Schumer's sketch show, *Inside Amy Schumer*, premiered its third season on Tuesday night and in terms of feminist studies, it packed a mean, hilarious, well-manicured punch.

Schumer is already well known as someone who pushes envelopes on lots of topics, but Tuesday's episode was saturated in women's issues and, just as sugar helps the medicine go down, I'm thinking humour might help the

feminism go down.

There was a sketch titled *Last F-able Day* starring Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Tina Fey and Patricia Arquette about how women in Hollywood have a sexual expiration date (whereas men stay desirable forever).

A parody commercial for birth control was juxtaposed with the fact that American women need the approval of several random men to get their hands on contraception.

And another brilliant sketch poked at rape culture, seemingly using the Steubenville, Ohio, rape case of 2012 as a touchstone for satire.

In it, Josh Charles channelled Coach from *Friday Night Lights*, shocking his high-school football players, and courting censure from the community, by instituting a new rule for the team: "No raping." This might all sound heavy, and it WAS. But it was

also some of the funniest television I've seen in years. Aside from being entertained, I was excited by the fact the show is equally popular among Comedy Central's male and female viewers — and thought about all kinds of possibilities this offered in terms of educating and communicating with those whose ears normally shut off at the mention of the word "feminism."

### Schumer is a comical Trojan horse with female empowerment hidden inside.

First I imagined a hypothetical scenario in which a stereotypical "dumb jock" comes in contact with a "feminist" — maybe in a dentist's waiting room? As soon as the feminist

starts talking to the jock about feminist issues he rolls his eyes, blocks her out and continues "reading" his *Maxim* magazine. Then I imagined the same jock, in a marijuana haze, stumbling upon *Inside Amy Schumer*.

I can totally see the jock laughing and guffawing, "Ha ha. It's funny 'cause it's true." And then a few seconds later thinking, "D'oh!" followed by the icky feeling of having learned something.

Comedians have long been known as social commentators who help to improve society.

Amy Schumer is a comical Trojan horse with female empowerment hidden inside.

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# Our obsession with immortality

**ANALYSIS**

**The Age of Adaline is just one of many films about eternal life**

**IN FOCUS**

**Richard Crouse**



The new Blake Lively movie, *The Age of Adaline*, sees its star play a woman who was frozen in time at age 29, never to age another day. No laugh lines, stiffness in the bones or grey hair for her. She drifts through life, an eternal 20-something, as her pals age and eventually die.

How does she compare to friends and family? Well, in the film, the youthful centenarian Lively has a daughter played by Ellen Burstyn, a veteran actress 55 years her co-star's senior.

It's a romantic fantasy that brings up an interesting question. Sure, the idea of defying age sounds intriguing, but why would you want to fall in love when there is no possibility of growing old together?

That's the dreamy question at the heart of the film; the notion that allows director Lee Toland Krieger to explore the mushier side of the story.

But what about the engine that drives the tale — immortality?

With characters like *Wolverine* and *Twilight*'s Edward

Cullen pulling in big box-office bucks, it's not shocking that movies seem infatuated with eternal life. Nor should it come as a shock that actors are drawn to immortal characters. The obsession with youth is one thing, that's a job requirement — perhaps that's why the U.S., with Los Angeles at the epicentre, is the world capital of plastic surgery — but I think it goes beyond that.

With visions of an ageless Adaline dancing in my head I posed a simple question to Alex Garland, the director and screenwriter of this weekend's artificial intelligence drama *Ex Machina*: "Why have movies about immortality been so popular with actors and filmmakers?" I got an intriguing answer.

"There is an interest floating around which is as much to do with longevity as it is immortality," he said, "but it contains immortality as a long-term goal."

"Broadly speaking, what I would say, at least where filmmakers are concerned, is that they're subject to the same zeitgeist things that everybody else is, so what they will do is manifest it in their job."

Perhaps that's why in the coming months we'll see eternal characters in everything from *The Avengers: Age of Ultron* and *Terminator Genisys* to *Pan* and *Crimson Peak*.

The rich and famous have always dreamed of extending natural life.

For instance, although it's an urban legend that Walt Disney was frozen cryogenically



Michiel Huisman and Blake Lively star in *The Age of Adaline*, which opens this weekend. CONTRIBUTED

to be thawed later, it makes a good and almost true-sounding story. While working on *Ex Machina*, Garland says he discovered tales of wealthy people looking to find immortality through science.

"The researchers might be quite realistic about what artificial intelligence can promise, but the funders may be less realistic about it."

"One of the things that some of the funders are looking for, and I've heard this expressed very explicitly, not in a coded

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**Powerful people don't want to die.**

Director Alex Garland

way, but an absolutely straightforward way, is the ability to download yourself and for you to survive long as a result of your enormous wealth.

"Powerful people don't want to die. Everyone else figures they don't have a choice but


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the really powerful people figure they do have a choice and they are going to explore it just in case."

I think Hollywood may be obsessed with immortality

for one other reason.

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Pras Michel produced and features in the doc *Sweet Micky for President*. GETTY

# Pop goes the presidency

PRAS MICHEL

**Fugees rapper is filmmaker and kingmaker in Haitian doc**

**Steve Gow**  
Metro | Life

In the wake of Haiti's devastating earthquake, former Fugees rapper Pras Michel witnessed his homeland embroiled in unrest from lack of leadership. With a looming election, the hip-hop star virtually decided who would rescue the country from chaos — an outrageous pop-star named Sweet Micky.

"Literally, it just came to me," said Michel of his epiphany to turn a shocking singer (better known for such burlesque antics as dropping his pants onstage) into Haiti's next president.

"What the country needed

at that particular point was something that was unorthodox to get the mood (and) energy back and distract from the pain and he just happened to be thrown to me in my universe."

Chronicled in the spirited documentary *Sweet Micky for President*, Michel became Micky's (his real name is Michel Martelly) right-hand man during an incredible political campaign challenged by corruption, inexperience and even Michel's own Fugees collaborator Wyclef Jean — who also briefly ran for the commander-in-chief position — essentially making a simple story stranger than fiction.

"That's how things were happening to us — to the point where if you really look at the movie, it feels like a narrative," admitted Michel, who never expected the experience to become a film. "How it was going down was how it was captured and then we went back and went 'Wow, this really feels like a movie.'"

Since his days as one-third of Grammy-winning group The Fugees, Michel has been



Michel Martelly, a.k.a. pop star Sweet Micky, has been president of Haiti since his election in 2011. CONTRIBUTED

"loving the film aspect" of his career as much as making music. Having produced documentaries like 2007's *Skid Row* (where he masqueraded as a homeless person) and a long-awaited project about Somali pirates, these days he's certainly more filmmaker than Fugee.

"I'm catching the buzz and I've got a couple more nar-

rative projects that I'm developing," said Michel. "We want to make things that are avant garde (and) interesting but at the same time, get to the core of the issue."

*Sweet Micky for President* will have its Canadian debut next Wednesday at the Hot Docs Canadian International Documentary Festival in Toronto.

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**DRAMA/SCI-FI**  
**The Age of Adaline**

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After miraculously remaining 29 years old for almost eight decades, Adaline Bowman (Blake Lively) has lived a solitary existence, never allowing herself to get close to anyone who might reveal her secret. But a chance encounter with charismatic philanthropist Ellis Jones (Michiel Huisman) re-ignites her passion for life and romance.

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# Russell says he's easy to work with

MOVIES

## Crowe gets into the director's chair for *The Water Diviner*



**Ned Ehrbar**  
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Russell Crowe steps behind the camera for his first feature as a director, *The Water Diviner*, offering a new, sometimes controversial view on the fallout from the Battle of Gallipoli in the Second World War, with Australian and Turkish families reeling in equal measure from the devastating battle. He also had just the actor in mind for the lead role, some Australian bloke named Russell Crowe. As luck would have it, the two got along just fine.

**What was it about this story in particular that made it**

**something you had to direct?**

It's a funny thing, I didn't really choose this project. It kind of snuck up and chose me ... There's a historical connection, a cultural connection with Australians and New Zealanders and the battle of Gallipoli, and there's the simple reality of the narrative, the story of a man who had three sons who go to war and don't come back. As a father of two, that's going to hit me at a very essential level. But also, I thought I could see the opportunity to reshape the perspective that we have on Gallipoli. There's a word that we avoid when we discuss the sacrifice of Gallipoli: "invasion." But in reality, this is what we were engaged in.

**My first real exposure to this story was the Pogues' version of *Waltzing Matilda*. It's funny because that particular version of the song is such a mishmash. They never**

actually sing the full words. But that song will make an adult cry. When you get to that last verse, "I looked at the place where my legs used to be," it's so incredibly powerful. And oddly enough the man who wrote that song was a South African who went to Australia and New Zealand and had all these experiences around the way people recognized Anzac Day.

**It really was the first war that was advertised to people, wasn't it?**

Yeah, it's the beginning of mass communication, right? And that's why the British government was compelled to inter the bodies. People wanted to know what happened to their children. They demanded to know.

**And now that you've directed yourself, as an actor would you say you're easy to work with?**

I gave the director everything he asked for.



Russell Crowe stars as Joshua Connor in *The Water Diviner*. CONTRIBUTED

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## LITERATURE

# Harper Lee audio book nabs Reese

Harper Lee's upcoming novel, the year's most talked about literary release, will have some added star power for the audio edition: Reese Witherspoon.

The Oscar-winning actress will narrate Lee's *Go Set a Watchman*, HarperCollins announced Thursday. Lee, 88, stunned the world by agreeing to the release of *Go Set a Watchman*, scheduled for July and her only published work besides *To Kill a Mockingbird*,

which came out in 1960. The new book was completed before *Mockingbird*, but takes place in the 1950s, 20 years after the setting for her first novel. Both books feature Atticus Finch, Scout and other famous literary characters.

Witherspoon, a Louisiana native, said in a statement that she considered it "an honour and privilege to give voice to the Southern characters" she had loved since childhood. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Reese Witherspoon is to narrate the audio edition of the new Harper Lee book, *Go Set a Watchman*. GETTY IMAGES



## FIFTY SHADES

## Husband to pen sequel

The *Fifty Shades of Grey* sequel will be a family affair.

A spokeswoman for Universal Pictures confirmed Thursday that the husband of E. L. James, Niall Leonard, will write the script for the follow-up to the global hit.

Leonard is also a published author. He has written for several British TV shows, including *Air Force One Is Down* and *Wire in the Blood*.

Kelly Marcel penned the original adaptation but isn't returning. Also not returning is director Sam Taylor-Johnson, whose disputes with James were well-known.

The Hollywood Reporter first reported Leonard's involvement in the sequel. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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How much *Fifty Shades of Grey* has grossed at the box office worldwide.



Domhnall Gleeson, left, and Oscar Isaac in *Ex Machina*. CONTRIBUTED

# Oscar Isaac is leery of robots

## SCI-FI

## Ex Machina star has a lot to say about technology



Ned Ehrbar

Metro | Hollywood

After earning acclaim for roles set in the past — like *Inside Llewyn Davis* and *A Most Violent Year* — Oscar Isaac is firmly facing forward with the mind-bending new sci-fi indie *Ex Machina* — in which he plays a hermetic scientist trying to perfect artificial intelligence — and some other little film later this year called *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*. But that doesn't mean he's optimistic about the future.

**There have been plenty of stories — movies, books, TV shows — about A.I. and the Singularity, and almost all of them end badly. Why do you think that is?**

There's Kurzweil, who's a futurist who's a complete optimist. I actually read a book called *The Optimist's Guide to the Future*, as well. It was very funny. I think with history in general, the things we create we tend to lose control over. The Industrial Revolution is an ex-

ample of how in a very short amount of time, we've done a lot of damage, like what's happening with the sea level rising, climate change — which is all real and is all happening. It's like, if that happens with stuff that's not self-aware, what would happen with things that are self-aware? Now Kurzweil, as an optimist, he believes that they will definitely grow exponentially once you do reach the singularity. But he's optimistic that we will become more machine as well. That's the only way we'll compete — with nanotechnology, with exoskeletons, whatever it is, we will also be able to compete by becoming more machine ourselves. Which we already are, you know. I mean, we have any answer to any question right (on our iPhones), even though it's disposable knowledge. I think it's very few people who actually retain anything that they look up on Google.

**That's a popular word for deriding technological advancement: disposable.**

Take just music, what it's done to music. I think music is way more disposable now, and people don't interact with it the same way they used to. I think that you've got lots of music going into your head, but I don't think

that the experience is as deep as it maybe once was. Things are on shuffle, it's all content, just constant shifts of content, as opposed to living with an album for a while and seeing how it fits with your experience of the world. I don't know, I just find that it feels like interaction in general is more disposable and less precious than it has been in the past. Then again, I'm sure when they invented the phone people were saying the same —. So I don't know.

**With technological advancements, I feel like there's always a point where you personally become old, a line you can't cross conceptually, and for me it was the cloud. Do you have one?**

That's giving up total ownership, right? I'm leasing everything in my life. I feel similarly with the cloud thing. I'm not a big social media person, either. It's not that interesting to me. I mean, I get why it can be a tool for promotion and a tool for coming together in protest — I get those aspects of it. But for me, I'm just not very interested in it. In some ways, it underlies how I don't have a connection with some of these people. On one I have these random friends, and it's just another example of how no, they really aren't in my life.

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Jessica Paré as Megan Draper in *Mad Men*. CONTRIBUTED

# Mad Men's French connection

JESSICA PARÉ

## Megan Draper's Quebec roots caused a bit of a stir among fans

*Mad Men* is famously fastidious in its attention to detail, but for some Canadians there's been one glaring misstep over the years — the way it portrays Quebec character Megan Calvet Draper.

As the series comes to a close, Montreal actress Jessica Paré says she's been vaguely aware of complaints that the Calvets don't seem typically Québécois.

Online nitpickers have suggested Megan's first and last name aren't very French-Canadian, and took issue with the French spoken by Brit actress Julia Ormond, who plays Megan's mother Marie, and Belgian-born actor Ronald Guttman, as Megan's father Emile.

Paré says Ormond worked with a coach on her French accent.

"(Creator) Matt (Weiner) is making an American TV show and it goes really fast and we all do the best we can," Paré says in a recent phone interview from Palm Springs, Calif.

"I mean, as for my accent, I grew up there and I spoke both French and English."

Most recently, the Calvets took centre stage in the April 12 episode, when Marie and Megan's sister Marie-France — played by Canadian actress Kim Bubbs — arrive to help Megan move out

of the New York pad she shared with philandering ad man Don Draper.

Paré says she enjoyed getting to flip between English and French for the show, noting "it's not something that you get to do very often" on a U.S. series.

Paré was coy in addressing whether we've seen the last of her big-haired bilingual character, but says she's immensely proud of the work she's been able to do on the AMC period drama.



**I feel like when it's really close to home ... we want to see it portrayed the way that we perceive it. But it's also TV — (there's) a little creative expression.**

Jessica Paré, on Canadians seizing on the Calvet storyline

Last we saw, Megan finalized a bitter divorce with Don and was about to begin a new chapter with a million-dollar settlement.

"Her time with Don has really taken a lot out of her, taken a lot of her joy, and a lot of her optimism," Paré says of Megan, who looked the other way as Don wandered.

"But I believe in Megan. She's an optimist, so she'll be fine. Especially with a million dollars."

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SHARON, LOIS AND BRAM

## Lois Lilienstein of children's TV trio dies at 78

Decorated children's entertainer Lois Lilienstein — perhaps the sunniest member of the cheerful trio Sharon, Lois and Bram — died Wednesday after battling cancer. She was 78. Below, a look at three songs Sharon, Lois and Bram made their own:

### I Am Slowly Going Crazy

Parents of children who grew up in the 1980s can surely relate. The group debuted the addictive, potentially never-ending earworm on the beloved

'80s children's TV series *Today's Special*, before performing it on their own show.

### Peanut Butter

These lyrics doubled as what Bram referred to onstage as the trio's "favourite recipe." Culled from the group's second album, 1979's *Smorgasbord* — which merited the trio their first Juno Award — the song's jazzy, vaguely noirish flair contrasted nicely with its goofy lyrics and sticky-sweet refrain: "Peanut,

peanut butter! (Jelly)."

### Skinamarink

Sharon, Lois and Bram's signature song, a blissfully nonsensical old tune (it dates back to a 1910 Broadway production) that was also included on the trio's debut. A performance of the winsome, ukulele-and-tuba tune — with its attendant series of cheerful hand movements, of course — closed every episode of *The Elephant Show*.

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From left, Bram Morrison, Lois Lilienstein and Sharon Hampson in 2002.

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# Not all poutine and maple syrup

## DOCUMENTARY

## Film offers no easy answers on Canadian identity

**Steve Gow**  
Metro | Life

Calgary-raised TV writer Robert Cohen may have moved to Hollywood 27 years ago but he still gets asked about his homeland all the time. In fact, the insistent ignorance has inspired him to travel across the Great White North to define what makes a Canadian.

"People may agree or disagree with it," said Cohen of his new documentary, *Being Canadian*.

"But it was born out of my genuine frustrations with people outside of Canada not knowing or caring about us, so (my journey) was really the only logical way in and I would get other people's opinions."



**I don't think there's any Americans feeling there's a lack of national identity around the world as to what America is.**

Director and TV writer  
Robert Cohen



Director Rob Cohen, left, and Will Arnett in *Being Canadian*. CONTRIBUTED

Along the way, Cohen corners both celebrities and average Canucks to classify the Canadiana that sets us apart.

What he finds is that even as drunk tourists in Vegas are unable to name our nation's capital, it's our own inability to define ourselves that makes us unique.

"I don't think there's any Americans feeling there's a lack of national identity around the world as to what America is," notes Cohen.

Available on-demand April

26, *Being Canadian* divides the film into sub-categories light on history but heavy on idiosyncrasy and perhaps most notably, our unique cuisine — or lack thereof.

"Most people think poutine and maple syrup (and) I grew up thinking it was Alberta beef," explained Cohen of Canada's recognized dishes — adding an assembly of noted chefs recently "all agreed there was no Canadian food — which is so perfect because it's the answer that's a non-answer but it's the

perfect answer."

Indeed, what makes Canucks distinctly Canadian is our ambiguity about our identity. However Cohen remained pretty decisive about at least filling the film with Canada's most famous folks — William Shatner, Rush, Dan Aykroyd and one funnyman in particular — Mike Myers.

"We've been friends for a long time," said Cohen.

"He's so hyper-Canadian and so well-spoken in great bits that he was very important."



### DIRECTOR'S THOUGHTS

#### On sneaking Canadian iconography into sitcoms

"I sneak it in as much as I can," said Cohen, who's written for shows like *The Simpsons* and *Big Bang Theory*. "It's just that a lot of the times people go 'no-body will believe that' so you end up having to cut it out."

#### On the consensus on Canada around the globe

"Everybody loves Canada. Nobody had anything negative to say about Canada," said Cohen. "It is not a perfect place by any means but (with people's)

limited knowledge, they are delighted and charmed by it."

#### On having an epiphany at a parade

"The outward enthusiasm was so great that that was the part that blew my mind the most," said Cohen of attending a Canada Day parade. "I realized I didn't need to be out there as sort of Canada's schoolyard bully and that, like I say in the movie, we're so cool, we don't need to worry about it."



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## COOKBOOK

# Milk Bar Life is for the busy and brave

Christina Tosi is just trying to show how mundane her day-to-day pantry staples really are. Thing is, she can work a sort of magic with mundane that most of us can't even dream of.

Tosi — who came to fame for her exotic sweets like crack pie and compost cookies at New York's Momofuku Milk Bar — tends to live the way she cooks and eats. Life and food are fun, and there is inspiration lurking everywhere, even in the half mouldy cheese in your refrigerators or the Ritz Crackers in the cupboard.

Which is why her new cookbook, *Milk Bar Life*, is aimed at helping people make an adventure of weeknight dinner, even after a long day of work. Think recipes for "desperation nachos" and "pickle juice-poached fish."

"I'm going to have to get a little ghetto out of this," Tosi — who is chef and co-owner of Milk Bar with David Chang — says of her weeknight refrigerator-raiding brainstorming sessions.

And *Milk Bar Life* is as much a cookbook as it is Tosi's coming out about her savoury side. The dessert chef, whose cereal milk ice cream and cornflake marshmallow cookies have earned her a cult following, wants people to know she's more than "just a chick that bakes." And so the book is jammed with the potluck-style, homey recipes she grew up eating. Plus, she's going to teach you something about savouring the little moments along the way.

"It's also really important to celebrate the everyday, the ordinary when all you have is some

Tang, some margarine and a slice of bread." (Yes, Tang toast really is part of her world).

This isn't a cookbook that requires trips to three different specialty markets to complete your shopping list. This Midwestern gal, who was the James Beard rising star chef of the year in 2012, loves big box supermarkets and includes recipes that call for SpaghettiOs, boxed cake mix and Velveeta. Did you know you can make a cake with grape jelly, defrosted whipped topping and Ritz Crackers?

But don't let Tosi fool you. She still busts out a fur vest and skull cap and blasts R Kelly for her weekend cooking when she free-styles with miso butterscotch sundaes, kimcheez-its with blue cheese dip and slow cooker cake, which she calls "my ode to what my dinner

came out of as a child."

"I have a little bit more time to be clever and technical and creative, so I'm going to go down the rabbit hole a little bit more."

True to her roots, every chapter of her new book starts with a dessert recipe, and an entire section is devoted to cookies, which include everything from basic chocolate chip to her favourite salt and pepper cookies and Fruity Pebble meringues with passion fruit curd.

But the cookbook is more about the lifestyle than the food. After all, this is the woman who pitched a tent inside her New York apartment and hosted a campout. Again, see life recipe. Fun plus campfires, sleepovers and spontaneity equals crack pie.

"If you're not careful, you end up taking yourself way too seriously and not laughing and not smiling and not appreciating all the little things that make you smile ... and that is the antithesis of what we do at Milk Bar."

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Momofuku Milk Bar's Christina Tosi has a new cookbook out, *Milk Bar Life*, aimed at helping people make an adventure of weeknight dinner, even after a long day of work.

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# Blogger's mistakes feed controversy

## FOOD BABE

## Critics cite early factual errors, lack of credentials

As truth wars go, Vani Hari of the Food Babe blog has produced a doozy.

The former management consultant turned healthy-living activist has a bestselling book and an army of supporters. And with the help of her fans, she's led numerous successful online petitions to persuade food industry giants to rid their products of ingredients she deems unacceptable.

What Hari doesn't have, critics argue, is a background in related sciences or nutrition. And since starting her Food Babe blog in 2011, she's made mistakes that have landed her in a feeding frenzy.

"I think she means well, but I wish she would pick more important issues and pay closer attention to the science," said Marion Nestle, a nutrition, food studies and public health professor at New York University.

Hari certainly isn't the first food activist without a science background. So why has she become the food revolution figure that so many love to hate?

"Because we're winning," Hari said in a recent interview, citing numerous commitments by companies to provide more "clean" and "simple" ingredients, often in response to her campaigns.

The answer from Dr. Steven Novella, a clinical neurologist and assistant professor at Yale University's school of medicine, is more complicated. The working skeptic — he has a podcast



The former management consultant turned healthy-living activist has a best-selling book and an army of supporters. She deploys them regularly to move giants in the food industry via online petitions. COURTESY VANI HARI VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

and blogs — is one of Hari's most vocal foes. "It's almost like she's a food terrorist," he said. "She will target some benign ingredient that has a scary sounding name. Her criteria is if she can't pronounce it, then it's scary."

You bet, said Hari, who thinks a host of chemicals and additives used in the U.S. have no

business being consumed, and notes that many are not allowed or are strictly limited in Europe and elsewhere.

The heat for Hari, who grew up on processed food, is fairly recent as her presence has grown. She gets nearly 5 million blog readers a month. She also gets death threats. And she's

banned so many people from her streams that they now have their own page on Facebook.

"I really do believe the attacks on me and this movement is a distraction from the need to reform the food system," Hari said by phone from Charlotte, N.C., where she lives. "My sole purpose is to get people healthier. Unfortunately, many of the critics out there, their sole purpose is only to criticize."

Hari's mainstay tactics include overstating health risks and linking artificial ingredients with their non-edible uses, the latter a particularly effective way of rallying support. Last summer, for example, she took issue with Anheuser-Busch and MillerCoors over a foam stabilizer and several other ingredients.

In that post, she referred to propylene glycol, also found in airplane deicing liquid. Other bloggers claimed she meant propylene glycol alginate, an unrelated substance that comes from kelp. Neither were among ingredients in Budweiser and Miller Lite (which the companies posted in response to Hari), though both are allowed by U.S. regulators.

"What she does over and over again is target a chemical and try to provoke a disgust reflex by talking about what other purposes a chemical is used for or where it's derived from," Novella said.

Why do companies cave? Subways, for instance, removed azodicarbonamide, a chemical in its bread also found in yoga mats. But it's also found in plenty of other bread products, and is well-studied and safe, says Novella. He theorizes it's just easier, to some companies, to make questioned ingredients disappear.

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## From Dildo to Blow Me Down

Newfoundland draws tourists from all over, not just for spectacular seaside vistas and colourful outports, but with place names that jump off the map.

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### 1 Dildo

The name may originate with the earliest European explorers and mappers who used it for nearby Dildo Island at least as early as 1711. Perhaps they thought it resembled the shape of a less X-rated dildo, the name used for round pegs that lock oars in place on a dory. Other theories include the name comes from the Italian word "diletto," meaning delight, or from the name of a Spanish sailor who travelled the area.



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### 2 Heart's Content

Heart's Content on the east coast of Trinity Bay is famous as the landing site in 1866 of the first telegraph cable linking North America and Europe. Its name can be traced to the writings of the earliest settlers, including English merchant John Guy, who led efforts to colonize Newfoundland and sailed into Trinity Bay in 1612. Guy had in 1610 helped found the first English community in present-day Canada at Cuper's Cove, now affectionately known as Cupids.



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### 3 Happy Adventure

Founded in 1710, it bills itself as "Newfoundland's most peaceful community." Local folklore, however, suggests its pleasing name may have come from the vessel, The Happy Adventure, of pirate Peter Easton who plied the waters off Newfoundland in the 1600s. Another theory, according to the Newfoundland and Labrador Heritage website, is it derives from George Holbrook, a British surveyor and mapper who sought shelter from a storm in a nearby cove in 1817. Various sources say he called it a "Happy Adventure."



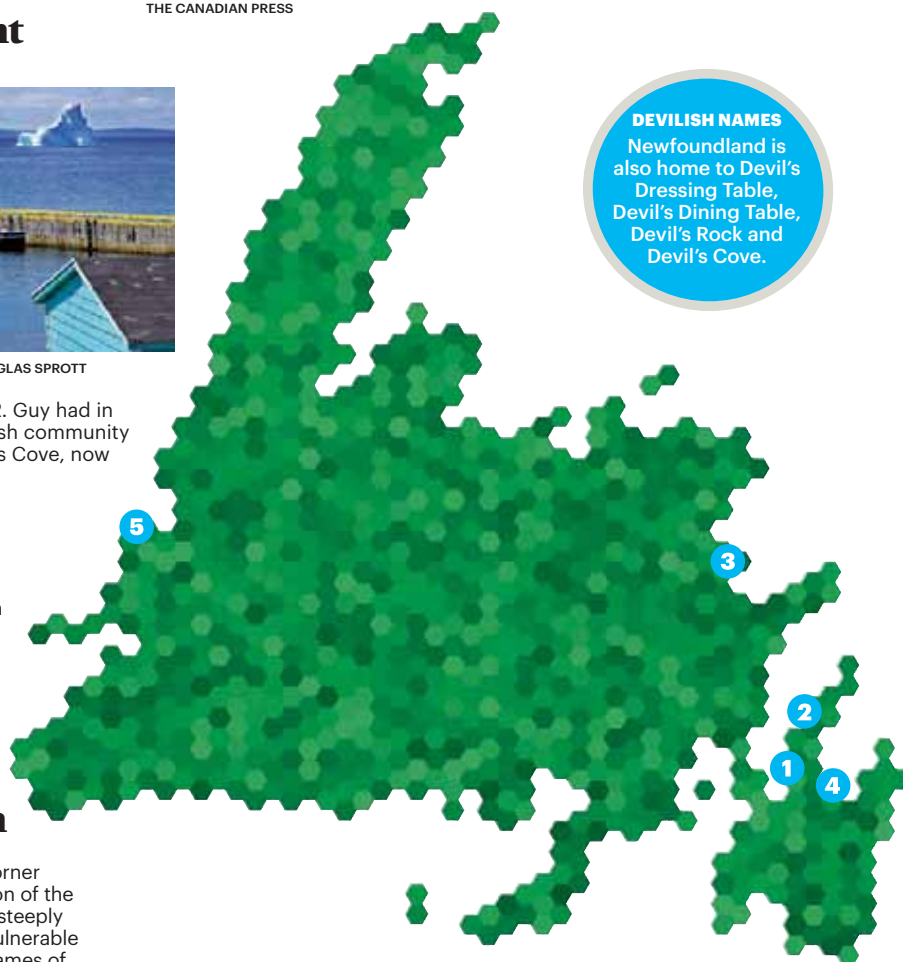
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### 4 Cupids

Cupids is located on Conception Bay, itself recorded by European explorers as early as 1527. According to the Canadian Encyclopedia online, its name honours the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

### 5 Blow Me Down

A provincial park northwest of Corner Brook, Blow Me Down is a variation of the term Blomidon, where land rises steeply from the water, leaving vessels vulnerable to squalls, says the book Place Names of Atlantic Canada.



#### DEVILISH NAMES

Newfoundland is also home to Devil's Dressing Table, Devil's Dining Table, Devil's Rock and Devil's Cove.

#### ECO-FRIENDLY

## Canadian organizations keep tourism and hospitality green



**ON THE MOVE**  
**Loren Christie**

In honour of the 45th anniversary of Earth Day, celebrated around the planet this past Wednesday, I salute some standouts in Canada's tourism and hospitality industry that are doing their best to keep our planet green.

As one of Parks Canada's national historic sites, it may seem obvious the Forks in Winnipeg should be dedicated

to preserving the planet. However, this collection of interpretive exhibits, walking trails and attractions at the junction of the Red and Assiniboine Rivers has taken its commitment to zero emissions, zero garbage and zero waste to a new level. Efforts include a geothermal heat pump system, composting, recycling and a target zero eco-kids tour.

Wasted vegetable oil is collected from deep fryers in the local restaurants and used to power the site truck, three Gator utility vehicles, a refriger-

ated container and a Zamboni used to create the world's longest naturally frozen skating trail on the Red River.

In Montreal, as part of Cirque du Soleil's world headquarters complex, La TOHU hosts cirque shows throughout the year, including the annual National Circus School show and the Montreal Cirque Fest in July. The complex was built on the site of North America's second largest waste dump and the venue is a stunning example of how to revitalize an area with eco-

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**Efforts include a geothermal heat pump system ... and a target zero eco-kids tour**

friendly architecture, activities and initiatives. Enjoy a meal made with fresh vegetables from its garden at its on-site bistro.

British Columbia is well known for its standout col-

lection of eco-friendly lodges. The Purcell Mountain Lodge has led the way in a number of back-country innovations, generating electricity from a nearby mountain stream, custom designing a waste-water treatment plant, which produces water as its end product, and being fully committed to recycling and composting.

Other standouts in the province include the Clayoquot Wilderness Resort, the Nipika Mountain Resort and the Siwash Lake Ranch.

If you are looking to travel

outside of Canada, book a trip through Gadventures, a homegrown company that takes maintenance of our planet seriously. For example, on its Peruvian excursions, it uses biodegradable soap on the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu, supports an eco-friendly campsite on the Lares Trek, and houses its guests at the G Lodge in the Peruvian Amazon, which features solar heat, including hot water, rechargeable flashlights, and meals made with fresh local ingredients.



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# Where selfie sticks are welcome

**FLORIDA**

## Wynwood in Miami buzzes with street art, local shopping

There are two must-have selfies for any visitor to show off from Miami: one on the sands of South Beach, and one against the bold murals of Wynwood.

The riot of colour sprayed across several blocks of warehouses and art galleries has become as synonymous with Miami as humidity and sunshine, so much so that Miami City Ballet has premiered a new work, Heatscape, that was entirely inspired by the neighbourhood's street art.

Walking through the neighbourhood is like walking through an open-air contemporary art museum, only one where artists are routinely found painting something fresh.



The Ms. Cheezious Food truck is well known in Wynwood, Miami, for its cheese sandwich. ISTOCK

**Graffiti murals**

Here graffiti has evolved from unwelcome scribbles to large-scale murals that reference both classical art themes and pop culture.

Many of the artists are commissioned to produce the abstract patterns and whimsical figures that cover the concrete walls of bars, galleries, boutiques and even a neighbourhood school.

A good place to start exploring is Wynwood Walls, where two restaurants anchor a cluster of buildings that feature a rotating roster of prominent street artists.

Wynwood Mural Tours has produced a curated guide to the neighbourhood's art, a project produced with the local street artist Atomik, known for his ubiquitous large, grinning oranges.

The painting isn't limited to the walls. Some crosswalks have been painted with bright designs, and sidewalks frequently are sprayed with the stencilled poetry of Instagram

star R. M. Drake (also known as Miami-based writer Robert Macias).

As Wynwood has grown into a premier arts district, it's also developed as a local hub where residents stop for artisanal breads and coffee, hold a book club in a flower shop and host pop-up shops during the city's many arts and literary festivals.

Galleries stay open late and food trucks cluster in an empty lot every second Saturday for a monthly art walk.

**Cafés and boutiques**

The new Wynwood Block collection of cafés and boutiques highlight work by some of Miami's independent artisans, including letterpress stationery and fashion accessories.

The neighbourhood also is a centre for experiencing Miami's craft beer and distilling movement.

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**Tours:**

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**Favourite Wynwood spots:**

Zak the Baker, 405 N.W. 26th St.

Panther Coffee, 2390 N.W. Second Ave.

Wynwood Letterpress, 2621 N.W. Second Ave.

Frangipani boutique, 2516 N.W. Second Ave.

Sprout Flowers and Coffee, 2545 N. Miami Ave.

Boxelder Craft Beer Market, 2825 N.W. Second Ave.

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Ivana Tabares (left) and Ana Cristina Alban share shots they took of murals in Miami's Wynwood area.

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bars and restaurants regularly feature a variety of South Florida-brewed beers on tap.

Wynwood still retains some of its gritty ambience, particularly at night, but the city re-

cently installed parking metres — a sure sign of the neighbourhood's importance to the local tourism economy. Selfie sticks are still welcome here.

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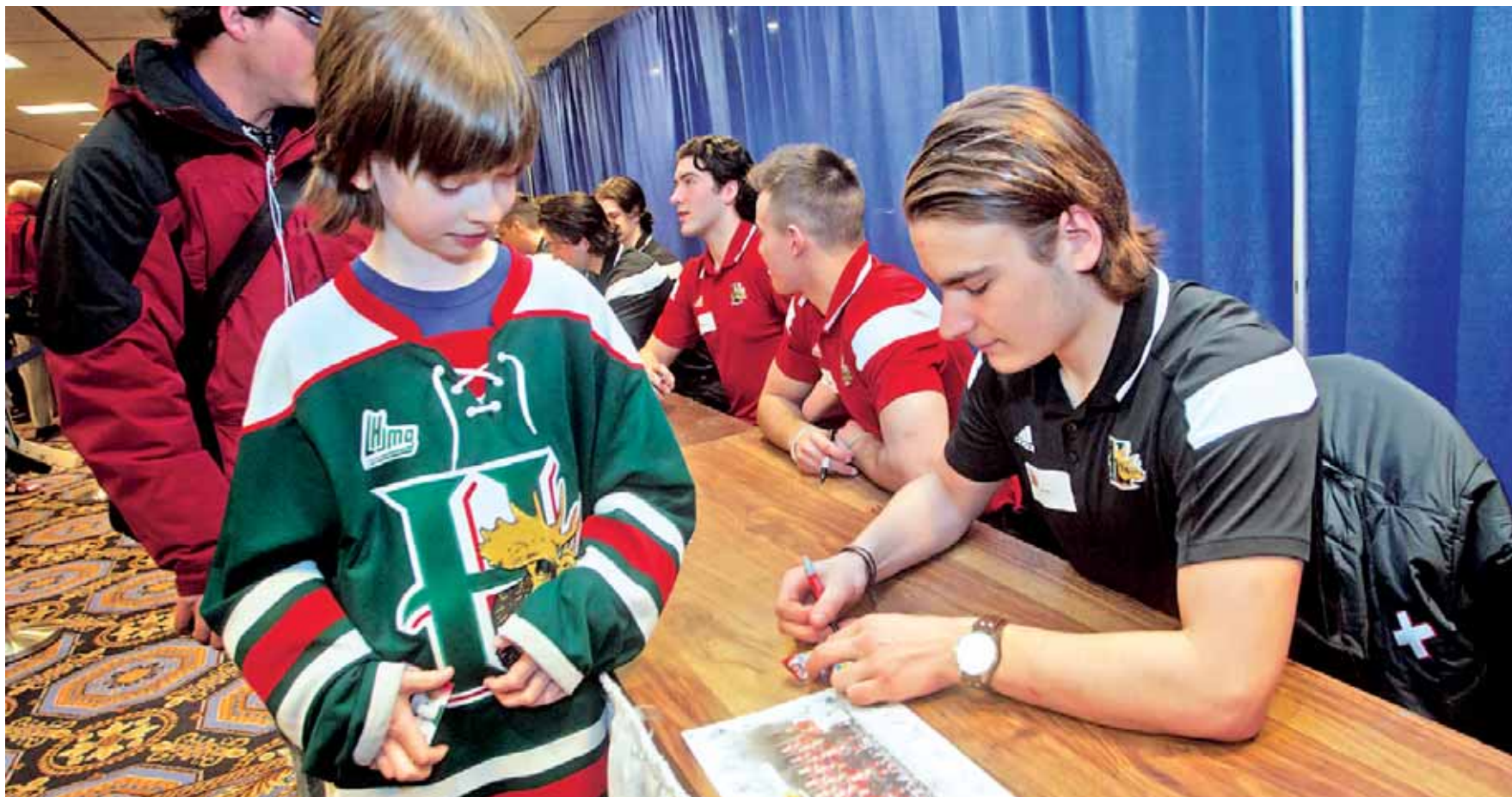
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**QMJHL MOOSE THANKS FANS FOR SUPPORT** Griffin Brown gets his sports card signed by Halifax Mooseheads forward Timo Meier during the Herd's fan farewell night Thursday at the World Trade and Convention Centre in Halifax. The Mooseheads were eliminated from the playoffs after losing to the Moncton Wildcats in Game 7 of their second-round series. JEFF HARPER/METRO

## 'We the East' feast on Express



**Halifax Rainmen centre Nigel Spikes celebrates his slam dunk against the Windsor Express during Game 3 of the NBL Canada final at the Scotiabank Centre on Thursday.** JEFF HARPER/METRO

### NBL CANADA FINAL

#### Halifax sets up chance to claim first title at home



**Kristen Lipscombe**  
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It rained on and off the court Thursday.

With the Maritime's wet weather in full force outside, the Halifax Rainmen stormed their way to a 100-70 win over the Windsor Express with 2,417 fans watching inside the Scotiabank Centre.

The second straight victory gives the local franchise a 2-1 lead in the National Basketball League of Canada best-of-seven

championship series.

The defending league champion Express claimed Game 1 over the Rainmen 113-104 on April 15, while Halifax won 100-93 on last Friday, with both games played out of the WFCU Centre in Windsor.

But the Rainmen aren't yet satisfied, even with Thursday night's 30-point difference on the scoreboard.

"We need more," Halifax shooting guard Joey Haywood said after the win. "They're a good team, man; we've got to respect them."

The Express snagged the Central Division banner with 21-11 regular-season record while the Rainmen fought their way to a 20-12 record to win the Atlantic Division.

This marks the first time Halifax has appeared in the NBL Canada championship

### + SERIES SKED

**Game 4:** Friday, 7 p.m. AT, Scotiabank Centre  
**Game 5:** Sunday, 2 p.m. AT, Scotiabank Centre  
**Game 6\*:** Tuesday, 8 p.m. AT, WFCU Centre  
**Game 7\*:** April 30, 8 p.m. AT, WFCU Centre  
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since the 2011-12 season.

"We don't want to get ahead of ourselves," said the 30-year-old Saint Mary's alumnus Haywood, who put up 15 points and shot 83 per cent of from the three throw line.

"Game by game."

The Rainmen and Express tip off Friday at 7 p.m. for Game 4, again at the Scotiabank Centre.

"We still have a lot if things

we need to work on," agreed 25-year-old centre Nigel Spikes, who had 11 points and eight rebounds.

"We were in a good rhythm tonight, good flow."

Halifax took an early 24-13 lead after the first quarter, increasing it to 47-32 by halftime.

With chants of "We the East" spurring them on from the stands, the Rainmen led 71-49 after the third.

Rainmen forward Kevin Young led the way with 17 points, 12 rebounds and four assists, while small forward Tyrone Watson added 14 points and eight rebounds.

If Halifax wins Friday, and again Sunday starting at 2 p.m. for Game 5, the Rainmen will win their very first NBL Canada championship on home court.

"It would be great for Nova Scotia, Halifax," Spikes said.



# Tampa Bay gets magic moments from Johnson

NHL

## Bolts' forward notches two in late rally in Motor City

Tyler Johnson led a stirring Tampa Bay rally late in regulation, then scored 2:25 into overtime to lift the Lightning to a 3-2 victory over the Detroit Red Wings on Thursday night, evening their playoff series at 2-2.

The Red Wings led 2-0 in the third period before Johnson scored with 5:26 remaining. He then assisted on Ondrej Palat's tying goal 77 seconds later.

Early in the extra session, defenceman Victor Hedman led an odd-man rush from the right side and slid the puck across the goal mouth.

It deflected ever so slightly off goalie Petr Mrazek, but Johnson was able to shoot into an open net from a tough angle for his fourth goal of the series.

Gustav Nyquist and Joakim Andersson scored in the second period for Detroit. Andersson's goal came in fluky fashion when goalie Ben Bishop knocked it in off the crossbar.

Mrazek is the only goalie who has shut out Tampa Bay this season, doing so late in the regular season and in Game 3 of this series.

He was blanking the Lightning again until Johnson skated in on the left and beat him to the short side to make it 2-1.

GAME 4 In Detroit



Then Johnson centred a perfect pass from the right that Palat only needed to redirect past Mrazek to tie the game with 4:09 remaining.

The opening goal came after Detroit's Justin Abdelkader found Henrik Zetterberg bearing down on the net, and the Red Wings' captain patiently slid the puck to Nyquist for a tap-in from in front.

The Red Wings were more lucky than good on their second.

Andersson's shot bounced routinely off Bishop and up in the air, but when Bishop tried to bat the puck away with his stick, he instead accidentally knocked it back off the crossbar.

The puck fell to the ice and slowly slid across the goal-line, with defenceman Jason Garrison unable to clear it.

After Detroit's two goals in the second, the Lightning were able to increase the pressure toward the end of that period, but Mrazek was up to the task.

His counterpart, meanwhile, became more frustrated early in the third.



The Lightning celebrate Tyler Johnson's overtime goal beside a prone Darren Helm of the Red Wings on Thursday night in Detroit. GREGORY SHAMUS/GETTY IMAGES

That's when Bishop was called for a tripping penalty, to the delight of the Detroit crowd.

But the Red Wings didn't

score on that power play. And although a scrap near the glass with 7:28 remaining seemed to indicate that Tampa Bay might be losing its

cool, there was still enough time remaining for the high-scoring Lightning to come back in dramatic fashion.

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## IN WASHINGTON

### Caps pump up the volume

With the crowd's raucous chants of "We are louder!" ringing throughout a lop-sided third period, a group of unheralded scorers put the Washington Capitals on the verge of a playoff series victory.

Dominating despite zero points from Alex Ovechkin or Nicklas Backstrom, the Capitals beat the New York Islanders 5-1 Thursday night to take a 3-2 lead in the first round, with rookie Evgeny Kuznetsov scoring twice and defenceman Karl Alzner adding a goal and an assist.

The Capitals can end the best-of-seven Eastern Conference series by winning Game 6 at New York on Saturday, in what could be the Islanders' final game at Nassau Coliseum before they move to Brooklyn next season. Thursday's third period began with Washington ahead only 2-1. But Kuznetsov, Brooks Laich and Jason Chimera found the net in quick succession, and Islanders goalie Jaroslav Halak was yanked with 11 minutes left in the game after allowing five goals on 35 shots. And to think: The Islanders took a 1-0 lead in the first period.

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Caps rookie Evgeny Kuznetsov scored a pair against the Isles on Thursday night. GETTY IMAGES

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# Mets on a roll with their 11th straight win



Mets pitcher Bartolo Colon tags the Braves' A.J. Pierzynski on Thursday in New York. FRANK FRANKLIN II/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MLB

## N.Y. carries league's best record at 13-3

Daniel Murphy drove in four runs and the New York Mets matched a franchise record with their 11th straight victory Thursday, walking their way to a 6-3 win over the Atlanta Braves behind Bartolo Colon.

The streaking Mets, with the top record in the majors despite injuries to several critical players, finished 10-0 on their first homestand of the season after sweeping a trio of NL East

rivals.

This is the fifth time the Mets have won 11 games in a row, and the first since 1990. Next stop: the Subway Series beginning Friday night at Yankee Stadium.

Murphy hit an early three-run double, and the 41-year-old Colon outpitched all-star Julio Teheran in a matchup of unbeaten starters. New York took advantage of eight walks and tied the 1986 World Series champions for the best start in team history at 13-3.

After starting the winning streak April 12 in Atlanta, Colon (4-0) threw virtually all fastballs while pitching in short sleeves with the thermometer

## + TRIVIA

Prior to Bartolo Colon, the last starting pitcher 40 or older to begin a season 4-0 was Roger Clemens in 2004 with Houston.

at 9 C. He allowed three runs over six innings to win his first four starts for the first time in his career.

Colon has struck out 23 and walked one this season, becoming the first four-game winner in the big leagues.

Jeurys Familia worked a hitless ninth for his major-league-best eighth save in eight tries

since taking over for injured and suspended closer Jenrry Mejia.

New York had never won all 10 games on a homestand before.

Andrelton Simmons had two RBIs for the Braves, who managed six runs in the three-game series. Teheran, the last pitcher to beat the Mets on April 11 in Atlanta, walked five in 4-1/3 innings.

Braves relievers Ian Thomas and Sugar Ray Marimon combined to issue three free passes in the fifth. Eric Campbell drew a bases-loaded walk from Marimon, Teheran's cousin, to force in the tiebreaking run.

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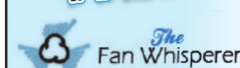
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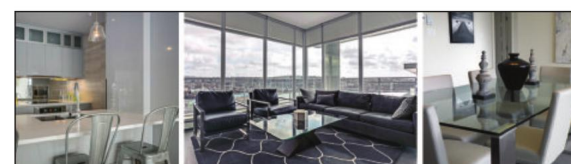
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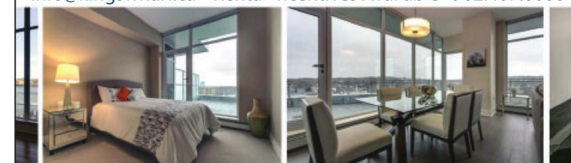
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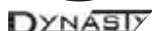
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### Ready in

Prep time: 5 minutes

Cook time: 5 minutes

### Ingredients

- 4 oz soba noodles
- 1 cup shelled edamame
- 1 Tbsp sesame seeds
- 8 large scallops
- 2 Tbsp light soy sauce
- 1 Tbsp lemon juice
- 1 Tbsp sweet chili sauce
- 1 Tbsp sesame oil
- ¼ cup chopped cilantro
- Sliced green onions for garnish

### Directions

1. Cook noodles in boiling water, just until tender, about 3 min-

utes. Add edamame during the last minute of cooking. Drain and place on serving plate.

**2.** Meanwhile, sprinkle scallops with sesame seeds. In a hot grill pan sear on both sides, until just cooked about 2 minutes per side.

**3.** Add soy sauce, lemon juice, sweet chili sauce, sesame oil and cilantro to noodles and mix well. Garnish with scallops and green onions.

### Nutrition per serving

- Calories 368
- Protein 36.7 g
- Carbohydrates 30.1 g
- Fibre 0.9 g
- Total fat 11.1 g
- Saturated fat 2.0 g
- Cholesterol 41.7 mg
- Sodium 468 mg

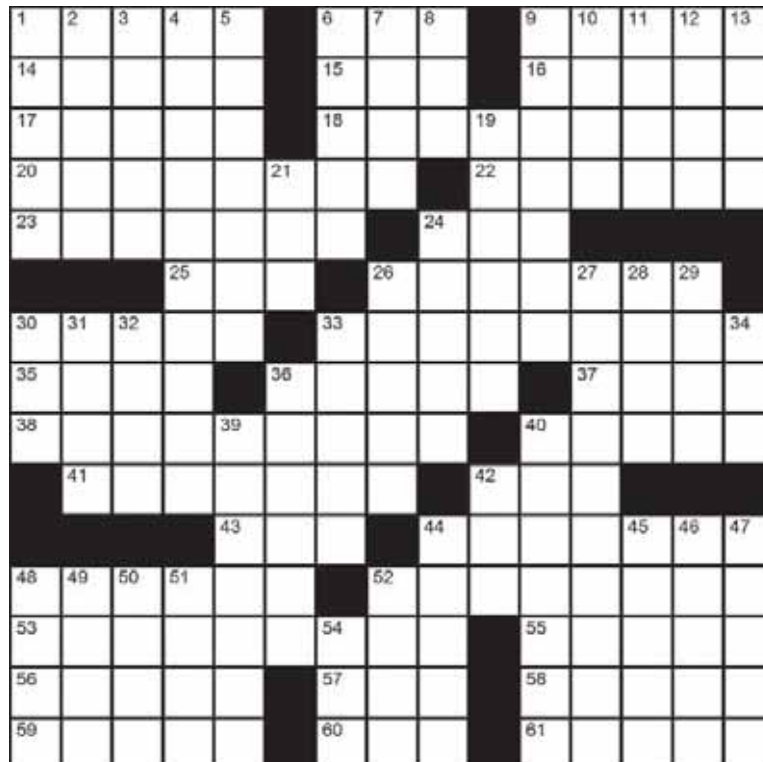
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### ACROSS

1. Corey Hart's singer wife Julie
6. Skull part
9. Wall's time-teller, Kardashians spelling-style
14. Port city of Japan
15. Past
16. "Raining Gold" singer Ms. Osbourne (Daughter of Sharon and Ozzy)
17. '\_\_\_ Dis-turb' sign
18. Magazines carrier
20. Laid to rest
22. Beatles' "\_\_\_ a Place"
23. Search: 2 wds.
24. Vigour
25. Casket alternative
26. Jude \_\_, Canadian yogurt pioneer
30. Cartoon style
33. Montreal's huge cross sits atop it: 2 mots
35. Actor, \_\_ - Cobb
36. Defrosts
37. Nullify
38. Medea is a tragedy by which ancient Greek playwright?
40. \_\_ \_\_ forth
41. Archenemy
42. Include
43. Grassland
44. "And through a \_\_ on a breaking wall..." - Seal, "Crazy"
48. Cream-filled pastry
52. Sword fight



53. Load of washing stage: 2 wds.
55. Ancient column style
56. Coffee brand
57. Fix
58. New: Spanish
59. "Caribbean Queen" singer Billy

60. Soup cube brand
61. Old Ford car

### DOWN

1. Styles
2. How two hearts beat in the U2 song: 2 wds.
3. Health: French
4. Tagish man co-

- credited with discovering gold resulting in the Klondike Gold Rush of the Yukon: 2 wds.
5. Hershey Canada's hyphenated-name treat
6. Ms. Jackson
7. Ripened
8. "Spectacular!"

9. Led Zeppelin song sharing the name of a disputed region of Asia
10. Low-cal
11. Mr. Sharif
12. Geological epoch suffix
13. Shoes brand
19. Drywall \_\_ (Aids for ceiling painters)

21. Roll
24. Air ducts
26. Some bananas
27. Online music/audio sharing platform
28. 007 character Vesper
29. George of "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation"
30. Ginger drink
31. Nine: German
32. 'Prem' suffix (Film's big debut)
33. Howard Stern, 'King of All \_\_'
34. Brit's bathroom
36. Kevin Pollak's new documentary, "\_\_\_ Loves Comedy" (2015)
39. Saskatchewan village, \_\_ Narrows
40. "The Age of \_\_" (2015) starring Blake Lively
42. "\_\_\_ you sure?"
44. Fire: Spanish
45. Fork's 'fingers'
46. "\_\_\_ always said..."
47. Mil. rank: 2 wds.
48. Gas station
49. Canadian politics channel
50. Wrinkle
51. Singer/songwriter Paul
52. Nero's 559
54. Zagreb's land to the IOC

## ★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

**♈ Aries** March 21 - April 20  
No, you are not the most subtle member of the zodiac, but why should you be? Your in-your-face attitude will work in your favor today, especially in your career where you need to be more assertive – yes, even more so than usual!

**♉ Taurus** April 21 - May 21  
If you are happy with your life as it is then don't change a thing, no matter how hard others try to persuade you to set new goals. You are at your best when you know where you stand.

**♊ Gemini** May 22 - June 21  
It might be a smart idea to adopt a low profile today. The planets warn there are some angry people out there in the big, bad world, so keep your head down.

**♋ Cancer** June 22 - July 23  
You will find yourself up against a stubborn opponent today. Fortunately, the world is a big enough place for both of you – so long as you are on different continents!

**♌ Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23  
Something will happen today that catches you off guard and you will wonder how you could have missed signs that, with hindsight, were so glaringly obvious.

**♍ Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23  
It may be easy to change things but before you start moving this here and that there, ask yourself if it is necessary. Chances are you will be changing not because you want to but because you think it is expected of you. It isn't, so don't.

**♎ Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23  
There are ways to get what you want without turning people against you, so watch what you say and do and, especially, try to avoid treading on the toes of those who can tread back just as hard.

**♏ Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22  
You may have failed at something but it's no big deal – at least you made an effort and had a go, which is more than a lot of people manage to do.

**♐ Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21  
Whatever barrier may be in front of you it won't be long before you find a way to break through. Strive to be strong, mentally and emotionally, and before you know it what you thought was an immovable obstacle will begin to shift.

**♑ Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20  
Have confidence in yourself by all means but don't think that merely by turning up everyone else will back down and make it easy for you to win. They won't.

**♒ Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19  
You won't be content to sit back and watch the world go by today – you will be out there doing things that get you noticed. However, make sure you get noticed for the right reasons.

**♓ Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20  
You have been far too nice of late, so now you need to even things up and make sure you get what you desire, regardless of whether others think you should have it.

### CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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